

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 96- 9213

TRANSFER OF CASES FROM FOURTEENTH COURTS OF APPEALS

ORDERED:

I.

The 48 oldest civil cases at issue and ready for oral argument pending on the docket of the Court of Appeals for the Fourteenth Court of Appeals District, Houston, Texas, as determined by the date of filing in that court, and except as otherwise provided by this Order, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Court of Appeals District, Amarillo, Texas.

The 20 oldest criminal cases at issue and ready for oral argument pending on the docket of the Court of Appeals for the Fourteenth Court of Appeals District, Houston, Texas, as determined by the date of filing in that court, and except as otherwise provided by this Order, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Second Court of Appeals District, Fort Worth, Texas.

In effectuating this section of this Order, companion cases shall either all be transferred, or shall all be retained by the Court in which filed, as determined by the Chief Justice of the transferring Court.

II.

The first 50 civil and criminal cases, except as otherwise provided by this Order, which are filed in the Court of Appeals for the Fourteenth Court of Appeals District, Houston, Texas, on or after October 1, 1996, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Court of Appeals District, Texarkana, Texas.

In effectuating this section of this Order, companion cases shall either all be transferred, or shall all be retained by the Court in which filed, as determined by the Chief

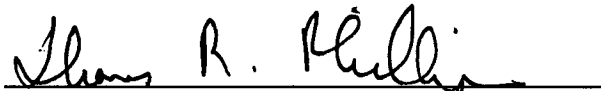
Justice of the transferring Court, provided that cases which are companions to any case filed before October 1, 1996, shall be retained by the Court in which originally filed.

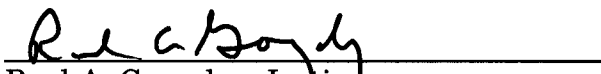
III.


It is specifically provided that the cases ordered transferred by this Order shall, in each instance, not include original proceedings, appeals from interlocutory orders, appeals from denial of writs of habeas corpus, extradition, bond cases, and those cases which in the opinion of the Chief Justice of the transferring Court contain extraordinary circumstances or in which emergency action may be required.


The transferring Courts of Appeals will make the necessary orders for the transfer of said cases as directed hereby, and will cause the Clerks of those Courts to transfer the original transcript and all filed papers in each case, and certify all Orders made, to the Court of Appeals to which the cases are transferred. Upon completion of the transfer of the requisite number of cases ordered transferred, the transferring Court shall submit a list of the cases transferred, identified by style and number, to the Supreme Court and the State Office of Court Administration.

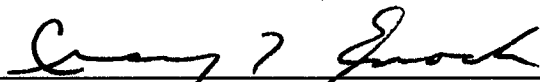
SIGNED this 30th day of September, 1996.


Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice



Raul A. Gonzalez, Justice



Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

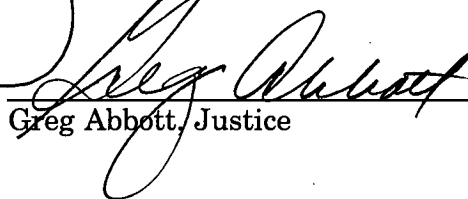

John Cornyn, Justice


Craig T. Enoch, Justice


Rose Spector, Justice


Priscilla R. Owen, Justice


James A. Baker, Justice


Greg Abbott, Justice