

ORDER  
of the  
Supreme Court of Texas

**RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE MATTERS  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS,  
TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE**

It is ordered by the Supreme Court that the following Rules of Procedure for Reciprocal Discipline Matters Before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals pursuant to Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure Part IX, be and are hereby adopted:

**INITIATION OF PROCEEDING:**

1. Pursuant to the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure 9.01 and 9.02, the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the State Bar of Texas shall file a petition with the Board of Disciplinary Appeals when information is received indicating that an attorney licensed to practice law in Texas has been disciplined in another jurisdiction.

2. The petition shall request that the Respondent attorney be disciplined in Texas and have attached to it any information concerning the disciplinary matter from the other jurisdiction including a copy of the order or judgment, if any, imposed on the Respondent attorney.

3. Upon the filing of the petition with the Board of Disciplinary Appeals, the Chairman of the Board shall immediately issue a show cause order and send it to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the State Bar of Texas. Upon receipt of the show cause order, the Chief Disciplinary Counsel shall issue a show cause notice requesting that the Respondent attorney reply to the petition and order within thirty days of the date it is served to show cause why the imposition of identical discipline in this state would be unwarranted.

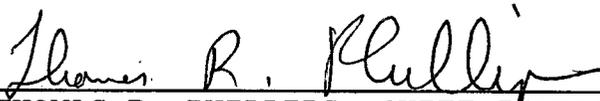
4. The Chief Disciplinary Counsel shall serve the Respondent attorney the show cause notice, including the petition, order and accompanying documents, if any, in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. The Chief Disciplinary Counsel shall also send a copy of the show cause notice and any accompanying documents to the Chairman of the Board of Disciplinary Appeals.

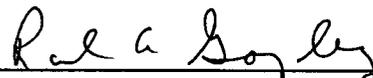
5. If on or before the thirtieth day after service of the notice by the Chief Disciplinary Counsel the Respondent attorney does not respond by filing an answer with the Board of Disciplinary Appeals, and the Board concludes that the Respondent attorney has received proper service of the notice and that thirty days have expired since the notice was served, the Board shall enter judgment as directed in Rule 9.03 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.

6. If on or before the thirtieth day after service of the notice the Respondent attorney files an answer with the Board of Disciplinary Appeals, the Respondent attorney and the Board shall proceed as directed in the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure Rule 9.03 and Rule 9.04. Filing deadlines shall be calculated in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

These rules shall be effective immediately.

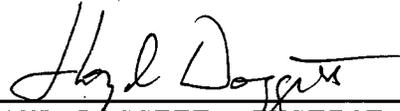
In Chambers, this 13th day of April, 1993.

  
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THOMAS R. PHILLIPS, CHIEF JUSTICE

  
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RAUL A. GONZALEZ, JUSTICE

  
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JACK HIGHTOWER, JUSTICE

  
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NATHAN L. HECHT, JUSTICE



LLOYD DOGGETT, JUSTICE



JOHN CORNYN, JUSTICE



BOB GAMMAGE, JUSTICE



CRAIG ENOCH, JUSTICE



ROSE SPECTOR, JUSTICE