

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

ORDER

Because the history and traditions of the judicial process are important to the process, it is appropriate that the history and traditions of the Supreme Court of Texas be properly recorded and preserved.

The Texas Supreme Court Historical Society was organized and chartered as a non-profit organization under the laws of the State of Texas on the one hundred fiftieth anniversary of the founding of this Court. The purpose of the Society is to preserve the historical artifacts of the court and to encourage the preservation of its history and traditions.

In order to facilitate the work of the Society, it is important for this Court to adopt certain policies pertaining to the Court's cooperation with the Society, the housing of the Society, and the display of the artifacts of the Court.

(1) The Court will provide office space for the Society for such period of time as the space may be available to the Court. The future needs of the Court for the exercise of its judicial functions will always be a priority. Should the court require the space occupied by the Society, the Society will find other space for its needs.

(2) The long tradition of displaying portraits of former justices of the Court will be continued under the following conditions:

(a) It will be the policy of the Court to display portraits of deceased former justices in the court room when space is available. As new portraits become available the portraits will be rotated in order that the more recent portraits may be displayed.

(b) Portraits of living former justices who have retired from the practice of law may be displayed in the court room. Portraits on display in the courtroom or in the court area may be rotated from time to time in order that the public will have an opportunity to see all the portraits in the collection.

(c) Portraits of living former justices acquired by the Texas Supreme Court Historical Society who have not retired from the practice of law may be preserved by the society and publicly displayed in areas not a part of the Supreme Court.

(d) Other artifacts of court history may be displayed in cases located in designated areas outside the court area.

The policies of the Supreme Court of Texas as set out in this order are subject to change by the Court without notice.

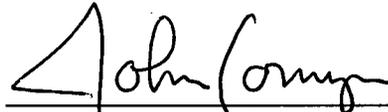
In Chambers, this 15th day of November, 1995.

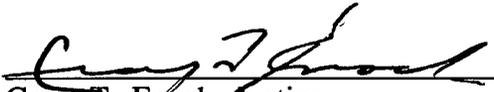

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice


Raul A. Gonzalez, Justice


Jack Hightower, Justice

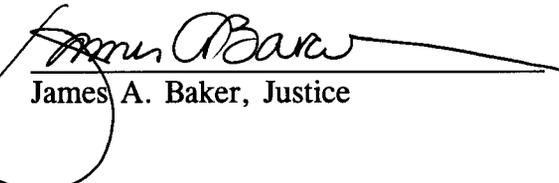

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice


John Cornyn, Justice


Craig T. Enoch, Justice


Rose Spector, Justice


Priscilla R. Owen, Justice


James A. Baker, Justice