

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 97- 9091

**APPROVAL OF JOINT ORDER OF THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COURTS
OF WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS
REGARDING SERVICE OF PROCESS BY DISINTERESTED PERSONS**

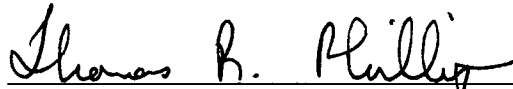
ORDERED:


Pursuant to Rule 3a of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, the Supreme Court approves the following order, which has been submitted to this Court:


Joint Order of the County and District Courts of Webb County regarding service of process by disinterested persons.

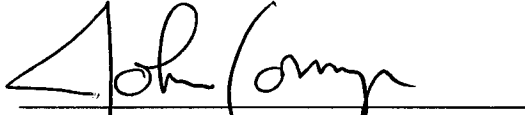
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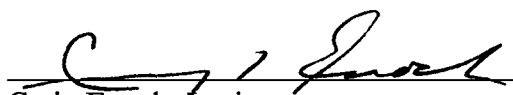
SIGNED AND ENTERED this 9th day of June, 1997

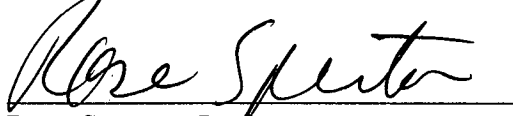

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice


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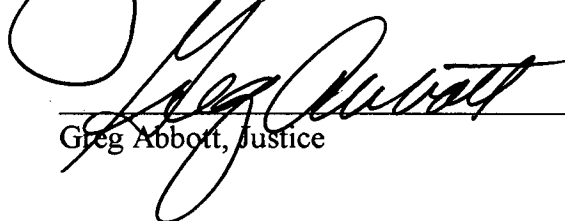

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Rose Spector, Justice


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JOINT ORDER OF THE JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURTS AND THE COUNTY COURTS-AT-LAW OF
WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO TEXAS RULES OF CIVIL
PROCEDURE, RULE 103, CONCERNING SERVICE OF PROCESS BY CERTAIN
PRIVATE PROCESS SERVERS

The District Courts of Webb County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 103, authorize the following Private Process Servers, each of whom is not less than eighteen (18) years of age, to serve all process in all such District Courts and County Courts-at-Law in all civil suits in which the Process Server serving such process shall not be a party to or interested in the outcome of the suit;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that such Process Servers shall not undertake any action concerning any parties to any suit or property of any parties to any suit other than the service of process as hereinabove authorized by this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that such Process Servers shall at all time fully comply with all applicable provisions of the Texas Rules of Civil procedure.

Each applicant to be a Private Process Server shall file with the District Clerk of Webb County, Texas, an application that will include an Authorization to Release Information to the local Administrative Judge and the District Clerk of Webb County regarding prior employment, medical, police, personal history, court records and other related information with a \$25.00 application fee to be used for processing this documentation and no fee shall be charged for placing the names on the Order of the Court. Applicants must also furnish to the District Clerk a current color passport type photograph.

Appointment as a Private Process Server shall be for a period of one year and may be renewed for additional terms annually at least 30 days before the anniversary date. The approved applicants will be required to attend a one-half day course at L.C.C. so that they may be exposed to the requirements and protocol in the service of process, at their expense.

Any Private Process Server, subject to this Order, shall notify the District Clerk, in writing, of any change of address within 10 business days of said change.

The District Clerk is authorized to send notices by regular first class mail, to all of the Private Process Servers currently registered, that the current list will expire on the _____ day of _____, 199____, and that they will no longer be able to act as Private Process Servers for the District and County Courts-at-Law of Webb County, Texas, unless they have first complied with this present Order. The Clerk is further authorized to assess and collect a fee of \$25.00 for costs incurred in the processing of the application and no fee shall be charged for the placing of the names on the Order of the Courts.

The authority granted by this Order may be revoked without hearing by oral instructions by any District Judge or County Court-at-Law Judge of Webb County to the District Clerk, for any cause the Judge may deem appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the local Administrative Judge may at any time, by Order signed by that Judge, authorize additional Process Servers to serve process under the terms of this Order without the co-signatures of any other

District Judge or County Court-at-Law Judge.

SIGNED effective this 3rd day of January, 1996.

Manuel R. Flores

MANUEL R. FLORES, JUDGE
49TH DISTRICT COURT
WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

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ANTONIO A. ZARDENETTA, JUDGE
11TH DISTRICT COURT
WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

Elma T. Salinas Ender

ELMA T. SALINAS ENDER, JUDGE
341ST DISTRICT COURT
WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

Raul Vasquez

RAUL VASQUEZ, JUDGE
COUNTY COURT-AT-LAW #1
WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

Jesus Garza

JESUS GARZA, JUDGE
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June 9, 1997

Hon. Manuel R. Flores
49th District Court
1110 Victoria
Laredo, Texas 78042

Dear Judge Flores,

Please find enclosed, a copy of the order of the Supreme Court that approved local rules for the County and District Courts of Webb County.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

John T. Adams
Clerk

Encl.

cc: Hon. David Peeples
4th Admin Judicial Rgn

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