Supreme Court of Texas

Misc. Docket No. 23-9021

Final Approval of Amendments to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 34.5(a)

ORDERED that:

- 1. On December 13, 2022, in Misc. Dkt. No. 22-9109, the Court preliminarily approved amendments to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 34.5(a) and invited public comment.
- 2. Following the comment period, the Court made revisions to the rule. This Order incorporates the revisions and contains the final version of the rule, effective May 1, 2023.
- 3. The Clerk is directed to:
 - a. file a copy of this Order with the Secretary of State;
 - b. cause a copy of this Order to be mailed to each registered member of the State Bar of Texas by publication in the *Texas Bar Journal*;
 - c. send a copy of this Order to each elected member of the Legislature; and
 - d. submit a copy of this Order for publication in the *Texas Register*.

Dated: April 18, 2023.

D. Blacklock, Justice ebeca A. Huddle, Justice

TEXAS RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

Rule 34. Appellate Record

34.5. Clerk's Record

- (a) Contents. Unless the parties designate the filings in the appellate record by agreement under Rule 34.2, the record must include copies of the following:
 - (1) in civil cases, all pleadings on which the trial was held;
 - (2) in criminal cases, the indictment or information, any special plea or defense motion that was presented to the court and overruled, any written waiver, any written stipulation, and, in cases in which a plea of guilty or nolo contendere has been entered, any documents executed for the plea;
 - (3) the court's docket sheet;
 - (4) the court's charge and the jury's verdict, or the court's findings of fact and conclusions of law;
 - (5) the court's judgment or other order that is being appealed;
 - (6) any request for findings of fact and conclusions of law, any postjudgment motion, and the court's order on the motion;
 - (7) the notice of appeal;
 - (8) any formal bill of exception;
 - (9) any request for a reporter's record, including any statement of points or issues under Rule 34.6(c);
 - (10) any request for preparation of the clerk's record;
 - (11) in civil cases, a certified bill of costs, including the cost of preparing the clerk's record, showing credits for payments made;
 - (12) in criminal cases, the trial court's certification of the defendant's right of appeal under Rule 25.2; and

- (13) <u>in civil cases, any supersedeas bond or certificate of cash deposit in lieu of a bond; and</u>
- (14) subject to (b), any filing that a party designates to have included in the record.

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