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Antonio, Bexar County, Texas. Respondent may be served with citation in this cause at his residence at

#### III.

### JURISDICTION, VENUE AND CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

The cause of action and the relief sought in this case are within the jurisdictional requirements of this Honorable Court. Venue of this case is proper in Bexar County, Texas pursuant to Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure Rule 3.03, because Bexar County is the county of the Respondent's principal place of business and residence. All conditions precedent to proceeding with this cause have been performed or fulfilled.

#### IV.

#### PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

Petitioner brings this disciplinary action pursuant to the State Bar Act, Tex.Gov't.Code §81.001 et seq., the Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct ("DRPC") and the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure ("TRDP"). The complaint which forms the basis of this action was filed by Cecelia J. Black. The acts and omissions of Respondent, as hereinafter alleged, constitute professional misconduct.

V.

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Appleberry was hired by Cecelia J. Black ("Black") on or about June 29, 1996 for representation in the probate of her mother's estate. Black was a college







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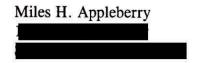
June 29, 2001

John T. Adams, Clerk Supreme Court of Texas P.O. Box 12248 Austin, Texas 78711

RE: Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Miles H. Appleberry

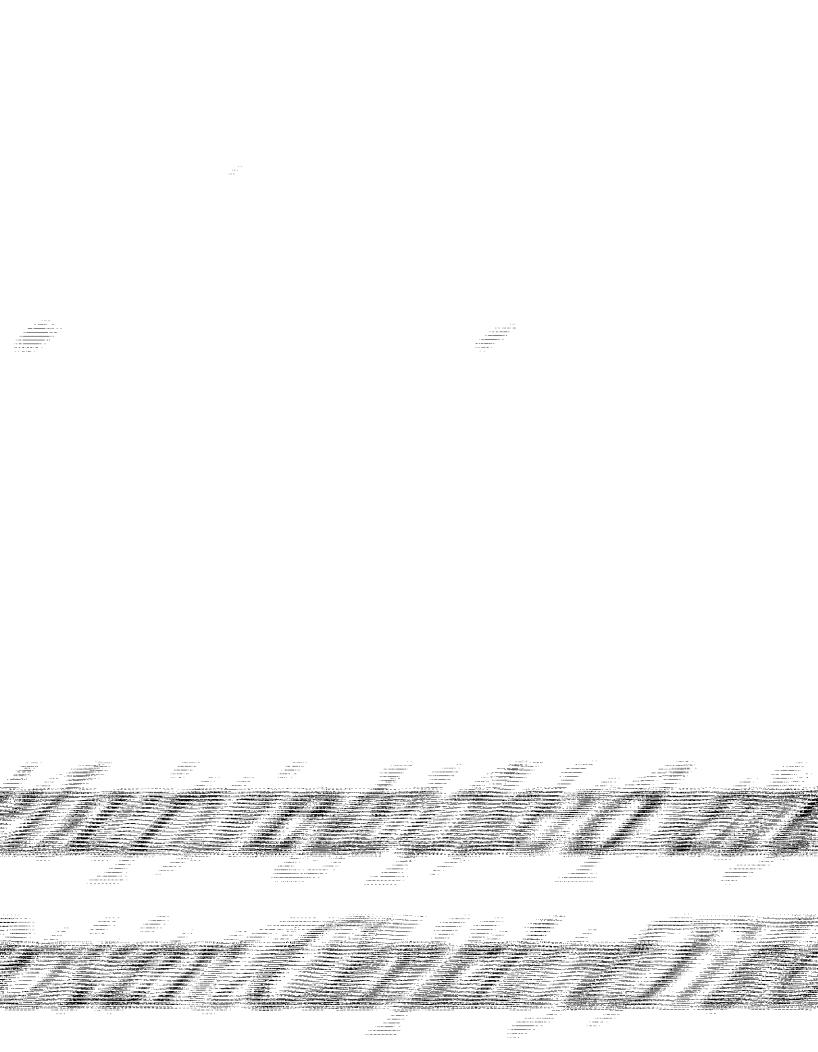
Dear Mr. Adams:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of a Disciplinary Petition being filed by the Commission for Lawyer Discipline against Miles H. Appleberry. Mr. Appleberry has designated **Bexar County** as his principal place of practice. Request is hereby made that the Court appoint an active District Judge who does not reside in the Administrative Judicial Region in which Respondent resides to preside in this case. Upon appointment, request is made that you notify the Respondent at the address shown below and the undersigned of the identity and address of the judge assigned:



As a practical matter, I would respectfully suggest that you inquire with the judge to be appointed as to whether he or she will be able to comply with the 180 day deadline by which the case must be set for trial as set forth in Section 3.07 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. If not, I would respectfully request that an alternate appointment be made.

Once a trial judge has been appointed, please forward the original and three (3) copies of the Disciplinary Petition, the filing fee check, also enclosed herewith, and the Court's appointing order to the District Clerk of Bexar County, Texas, with the request that the suit be filed, service be obtained, and a filemarked copy of the petition returned to the undersigned.





## The Supreme Court of Texas

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Mr. Paul H. Homburg, III Assistant General Counsel, State Bar of Texas 425 Soledad, Suite 300 San Antonio, Texas 78205

Mr. Miles H. Appleberry

Dear Mr. Homburg and Mr. Appleberry:

Pursuant to Rule 3.02 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, I hereby notify you that the Supreme Court of Texas has appointed the Honorable David E. Garner, Judge of the 10<sup>th</sup> District Court, Galveston, Texas to preside in

Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Miles H. Appleberry

Sincerely,

SIGNED

John T. Adams Clerk



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