

ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 99- 9110

Approval of Amendment to Standards and Rules Governing Certification of Certified Shorthand Reporters

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pursuant to Section 52.002 of the Texas Government Code, Section IV(B) of the Standards and Rules Governing Certification of Certified Shorthand Reporters is amended as follows:

B. For the purpose of Section 52.029(a) of the Government Code, unprofessional conduct shall include, but not be limited to:

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8. reporting of any proceeding by any person who is a relative of a party or their attorney within the second degree by affinity or consanguinity unless:

(A) as soon as practicable, the reporter discloses the relation in writing to all parties and the court; and

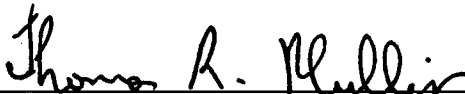
(B) either

(1) no party or the court objects to the use of the reporter on the grounds of the relation. An objection under this subparagraph must be made as soon as practicable after the relation is disclosed; or

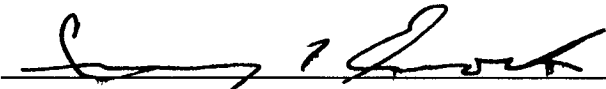
(2) the court enters an order finding that, under the circumstances, the relation does not reasonably create an appearance of partiality and that good cause exists to permit use of the reporter.


2. The Clerk is directed promptly to file a copy of this Order with the Secretary of State and to 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*.


By the Court, en banc, in chambers, this 7th day of June, 1999.

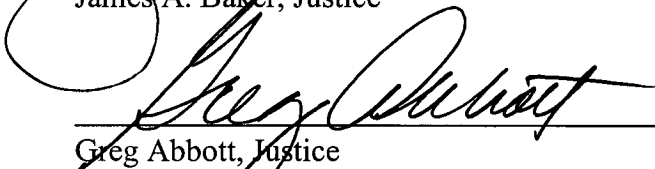

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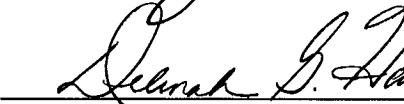

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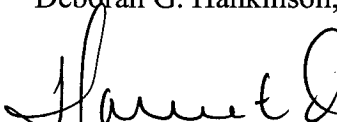

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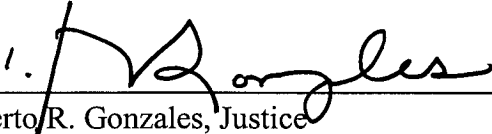

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By order of the Supreme Court of Texas, the enclosed order is forwarded for appropriate filing. Please contact this office if you have questions in this matter.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

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Dear Mr. Alvarado,

Please find enclosed, a copy of the order of the Supreme Court of Texas. Per this order, a copy is to be published as soon as possible in the Texas Bar Journal. You may contact the undersigned if there are any questions in this matter:

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Kelley King