

Supreme Court of Texas

Misc. Docket No. 26-9072

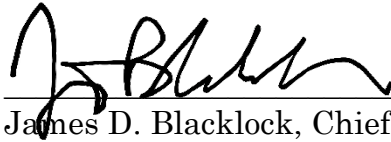
Approval of Grant Awards for Basic Civil Legal Services (BCLS) Funds for September 1, 2026 – Aug. 31, 2027

Subject to the restrictions in this order, the Supreme Court of Texas approves the Texas Access to Justice Foundation's request for grant distributions from the Basic Civil Legal Services account to create the Rural Justice Initiative. This is the Foundation's first request for funding of a proposed multi-year effort to improve the delivery of legal services in rural Texas. These distributions must not exceed \$26,705,118.

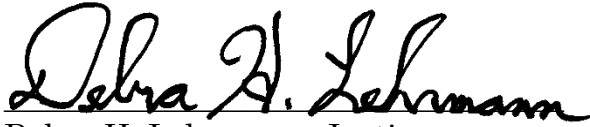
In addition to the restrictions in Texas Government Code § 51.943, the following additional restrictions apply to every grant made under this order:

1. No grant may fund an immigration-related matter.
2. The last two sentences of Rule 9.7(i), Misc. Docket No. 98-9001, do not apply to grants distributed under this order.
3. Grants distributed under this order may not pay for overhead or other indirect expenses that support an employee who engages in an activity prohibited by § 51.943(c).

Dated: September 4, 2026.



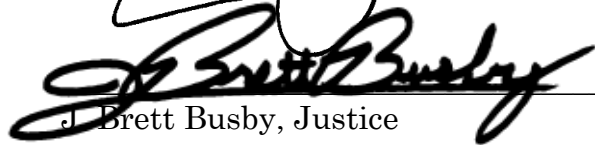
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Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice



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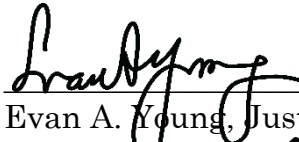
J. Brett Busby, Justice



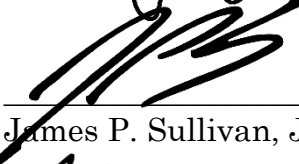
Jane N. Bland, Justice



Rebeca A. Huddle, Justice



Evan A. Young, Justice



James P. Sullivan, Justice



Kyle D. Hawkins, Justice