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April 2, 2003

Mr. Charles L. Babcock
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Dear Chip:

Thank you for your willingness to serve another term as Chair of the Supreme Court Advisory Committee. First appointed in January 1940 to "suggest[] rules of practice and procedure", 136 Tex. at 436, the Advisory Committee has always been served by the most experienced and respected judges, lawyers, and academicians Texas has to offer. Procedures the Committee has helped the Supreme Court craft make possible a just and efficient civil court system in this State and are models for other American jurisdictions.

The Court is very grateful for your past service. On a personal note, I count our friendship over the years as among the best things that have happened to me in my professional life.

I enclose a copy of the Order appointing the Committee for 2003-2005. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nathan".

Nathan L. Hecht
Justice

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 03-9023

SUPREME COURT RULES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ORDERED:

1. The Court's Orders establishing the Supreme Court Rules Advisory Committee, issued in Misc. Docket Nos. 99-9167 (September 7, 1999) and 00-9057 (April 4, 2000) are vacated, and the following Order is substituted:

The Supreme Court Rules Advisory Committee, first created in 1940 and reconstituted at various times since then, assists the Supreme Court in the continuing study, review, and development of rules and procedures for the courts of Texas, taking into consideration the rules and procedures of other courts in the United States and proposals for changes from whatever source received. The Committee drafts rules as directed by the Court; solicits, summarizes, and reports to the Court the views of the bar and the public on court rules and procedures; and makes recommendations for change. The Court is not bound by the Committee's recommendations.

The meetings of the Committee are held after public notice and are open to the public. A record is made of all Committee proceedings. The Office of Court Administration serves as Secretariat for the Committee. The expenses of the Committee are paid from funds appropriated by the Legislature, or by the State Bar of Texas.

Members of the Committee are appointed by the Supreme Court, which shall from time to time determine their number, qualifications, and terms of service. A Chair appointed by the Court to serve at its pleasure calls meetings with the approval of the Court, prepares an agenda in advance of each meeting, and presides over the meetings. The Court and each Committee member are given the proposals, drafts, and other materials to be discussed at each meeting.

2. The following persons are appointed to serve as members of the Supreme Court Rules Advisory Committee from the date of this Order until December 31, 2005:

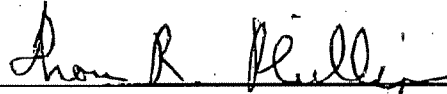
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Tommy Jacks	Austin		

3. The following persons are appointed *ex officio* members of the Committee to serve at the pleasure of the Court: a Member of the Court of Criminal Appeals designated by that Court; a lawyer designated by the Lieutenant Governor; and a lawyer designated by the Speaker of the House.

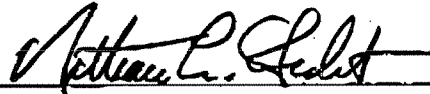
4. Charles L. Babcock of Dallas is appointed chairman of the Committee. Gilbert I. Low is appointed vice-chairman of the Committee.

5. The Court's liaison to the Committee is Justice Nathan L. Hecht. The deputy liaison is Justice Wallace B. Jefferson

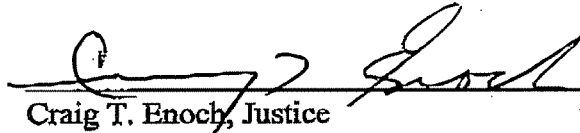
SIGNED AND ENTERED this 2nd day of April 2003.



Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice



Nathan L. Hecht, Justice



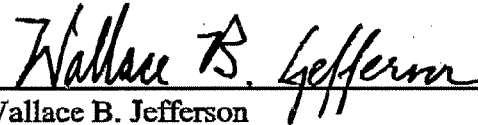
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Priscilla R. Owen, Justice



Harriet O'Neill, Justice



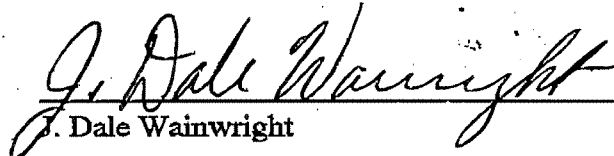
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