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Mr. Charles L. "Chip" Babcock Chair, Supreme Court Advisory Committee Jackson Walker L.L.P. 1401 McKinney, Suite 1900 Houston, TX 77010

via email

Re: SB 679 – Amendments to Texas Rule of Evidence 902

Dear Chip:

The 83nd Legislature recently passed Senate Bill 679, which provides that Texas Rule of Evidence 902(10) be amended as soon as practicable to provide that medical records and medical billing information attached to a business records affidavit are not required to be filed with the clerk of the court before trial. The Supreme Court requests the Advisory Committee to study and make recommendations regarding the revisions that are required by SB 679 at its next meeting.

As always, the Court is grateful for the Committee's counsel and your leadership.

Sincerely,

Nathan L. Hecht Justice