







DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT, and the TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE.

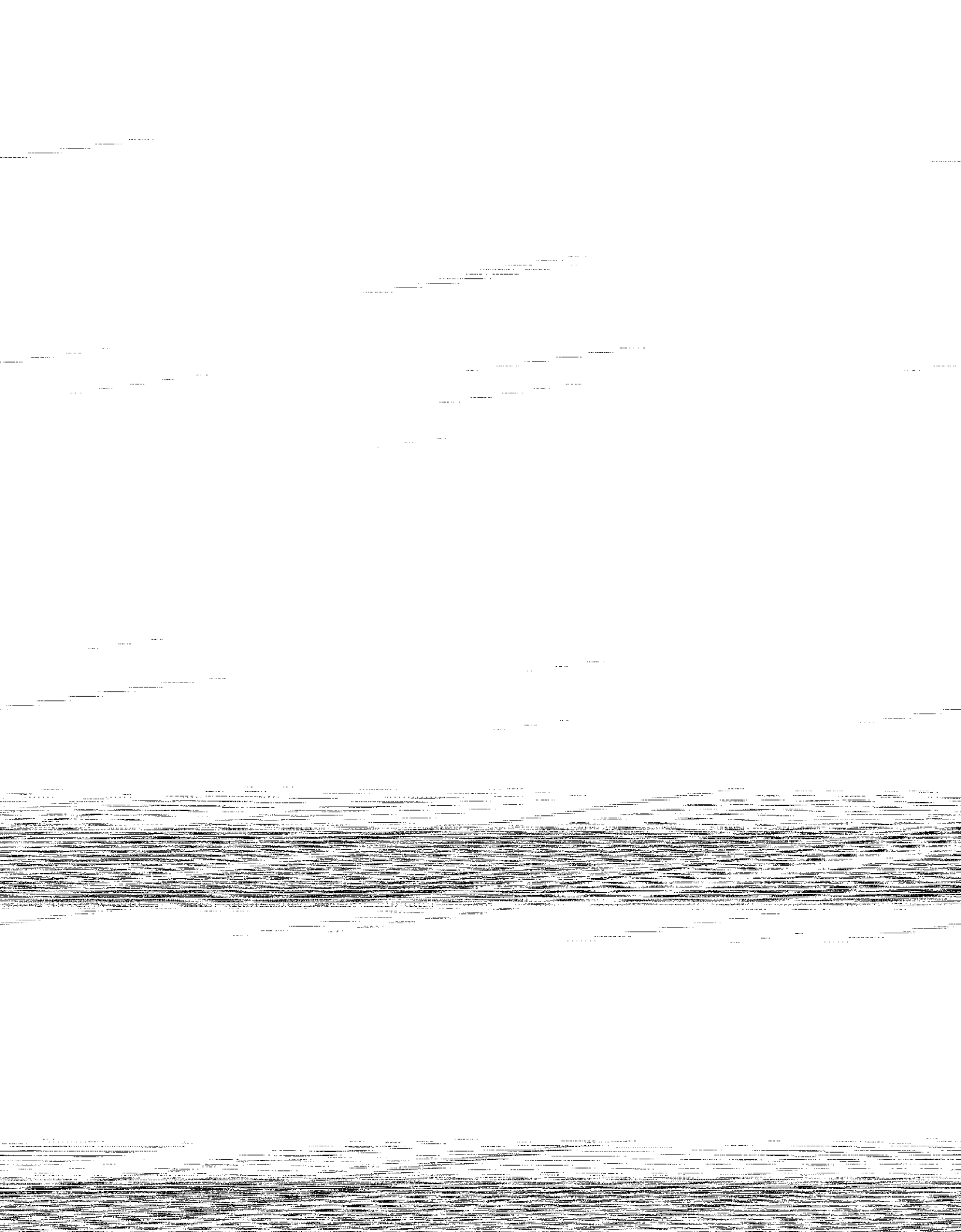
### III. VENUE

Respondent is an attorney licensed to practice law in Texas and is a member of the STATE BAR OF TEXAS. Respondent's residence and principal place of practice is Harris County, Texas; therefore, venue is appropriate in **Harris County, Texas**, pursuant to Rule 3.03 of the TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. Respondent may be served at [REDACTED]

### IV. CAUSE OF ACTION

On or about August 10, 1999, JAHANE MARIE COTE (hereinafter referred to as "COTE") hired Respondent for representation in a claim against Allstate Insurance Company. On or about March 1, 2000, Respondent misrepresented to COTE that a lawsuit had been filed. In fact, Respondent delayed in filing the lawsuit until on or about December 11, 2000, under Cause No. 2000-62592, *Jahane Cote v. Allstate Insurance Company and Allstate Indemnity Company*, in the 215th Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas.

During the course of the representation, COTE made several inquiries as to the status of the case. Respondent either failed to respond to COTE's inquiries or misrepresented the status of her case. On or about July 11, 2000, after arriving at Respondent's office for a scheduled appointment, COTE discovered that the premises had been vacated. In a subsequent telephone conversation, Respondent confirmed the move and ended the call with an unfulfilled promise to contact COTE the following day. COTE's further efforts to communicate with Respondent were unsuccessful.



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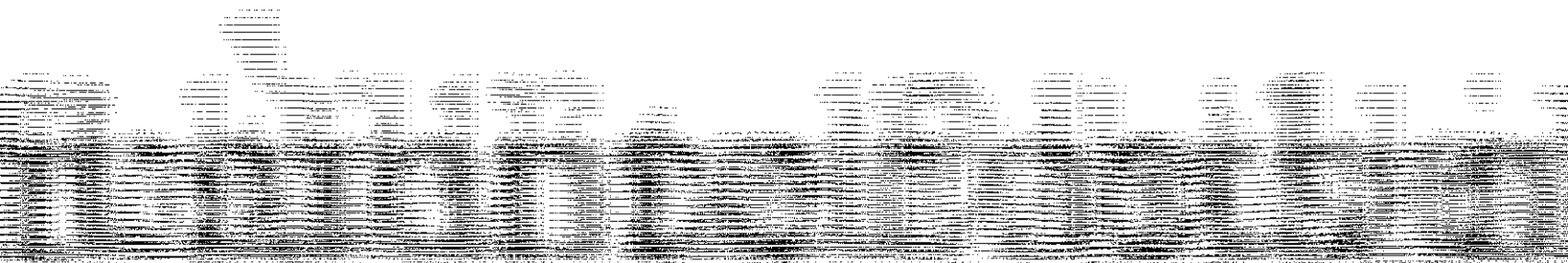
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# STATE BAR OF TEXAS



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

June 6, 2001

John T. Adams, Clerk  
SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS  
P.O. Box 12248  
Austin, Texas 78711

**RE: *Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Jerry Lee Bryan, II***

Dear Mr. Adams:

Enclosed please find an original and two (2) copies of the *Original Disciplinary Petition* being filed by the COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE against **Jerry Lee Bryan, II**. Mr. Bryan has designated **Harris County, Texas**, 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:

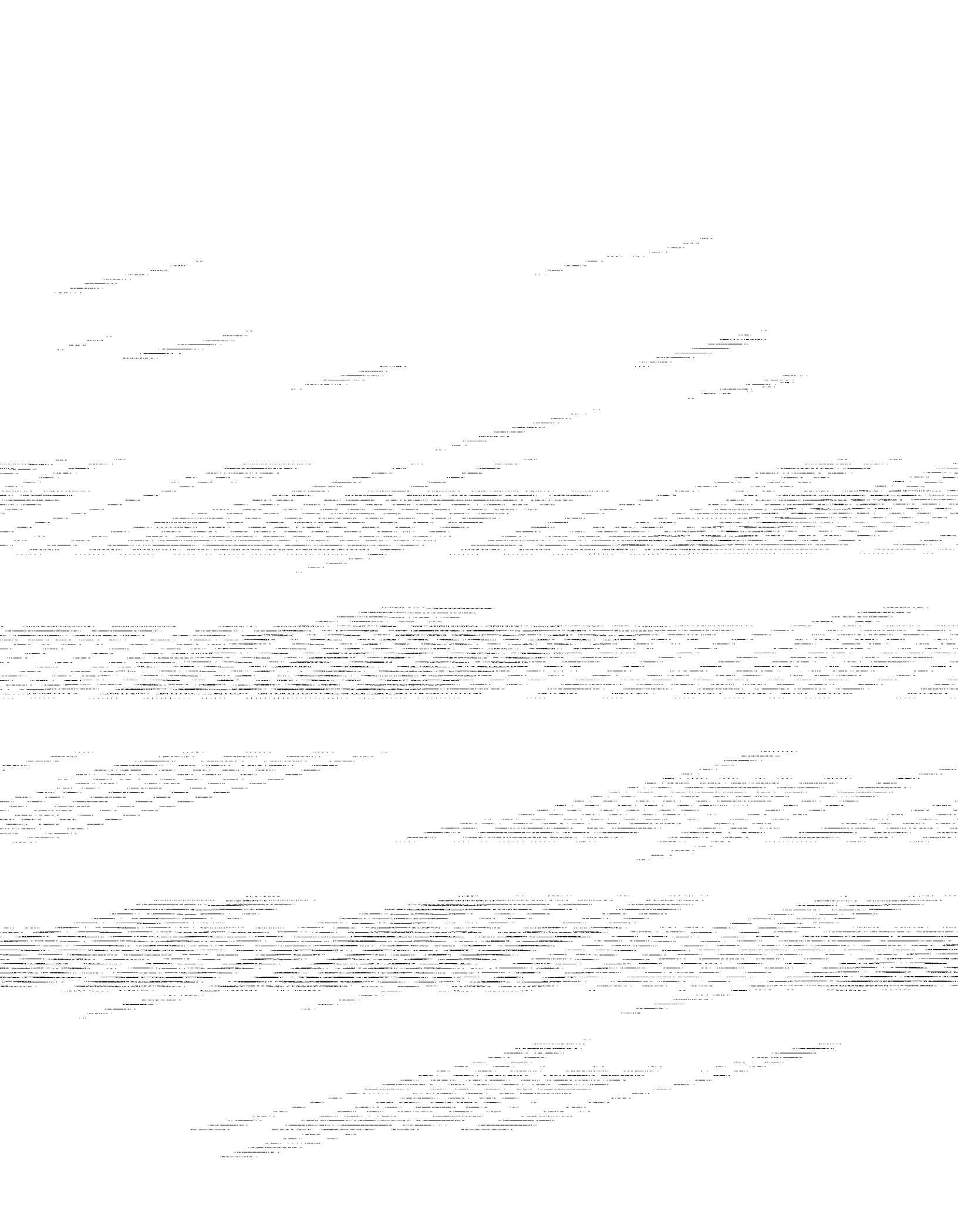
**Jerry Lee Bryan, II**  
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As a practical matter, we respectfully suggest that an inquiry be made as to whether the judge will be able to comply with the one hundred and eighty (180) day deadline by which the case must be set for trial as set forth in Section 3.07 of the TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. If not, we respectfully request that an alternate appointment be made.

Once a trial judge has been appointed, please forward the original and two (2) copies of the *Original Disciplinary Petition*, the *Civil Case Information Sheet*, the filing fee check (all enclosed herewith), and the *Court's Appointing Order* to the District Clerk of Harris County, Texas, with the request that the suit be filed, service be obtained, and a file-marked copy of the petition be returned to the undersigned.

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Mr. Jerry Lee Bryan, II

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Dear Ms. Hasley and Mr. Bryan:

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 Ed Magre, Judge of the 20<sup>th</sup> District Court, Cameron, Texas to preside in

*Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Jerry Lee Bryan, II*

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

John T. Adams  
Clerk



