

**ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT
Of TEXAS**

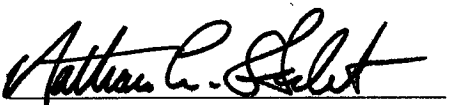
IT IS ORDERED by the Supreme Court of Texas that the following definition of **court reporting firms** pursuant to SB 1223, be adopted and promulgated in conformity with Chapter 52 of the Texas Government Code:

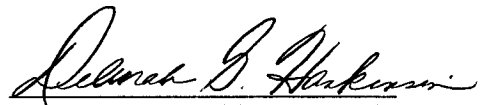
A firm shall be defined as any person, or entity that employs Certified Shorthand Reporters and/or engages independent contractors to provide court or shorthand reporting services. A firm shall be required to register any affiliate office under a separate registration number and pay a registration renewal fee.

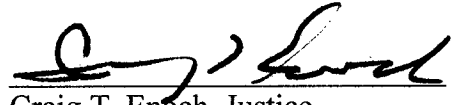
Effective September 1, 2001.

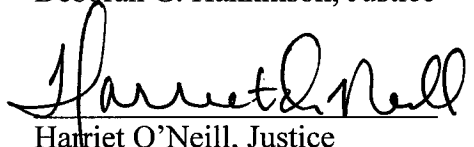
SIGNED this 28th day of August, 2001.


Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

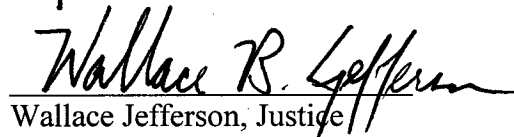

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

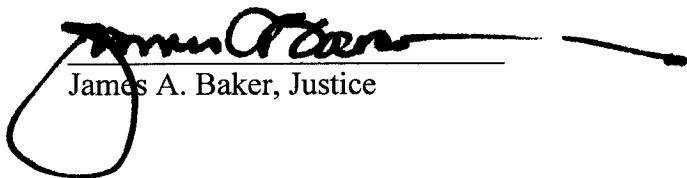

Deborah G. Hankinson, Justice


Craig T. Enoch, Justice


Harriet O'Neill, Justice


Priscilla R. Owen, Justice


Wallace Jefferson, Justice


James A. Baker, Justice