### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 09- 9061

## APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL RULES FOR THE SECOND COURT OF APPEALS

#### **ORDERED** that:

Pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 1.2, this Court approves the following amendments to the local rules for the Court of Appeals for the Second Court of Appeals District in Fort Worth, Texas.

In Chambers, this **14.** day of April, 2009.

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# PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECOND COURT OF APPEALS LOCAL RULES

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Re: Proposed Amendment to Local Rules

Dear Chief Justice Jefferson and Presiding Judge Keller:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposed amendment to this court's local rules approved March 2, 2009. The court respectfully requests approval of this amendment by the Supreme Court of Texas and by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Please feel free to contact me at 817/884-1900 ext. 226 if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Robinson

Stephanie Robinson, Clerk of the Court

Encl.

cc: Blake Hawthorne, Clerk of the Court, Supreme Court of Texas Kennon Peterson, Rules Attorney, Supreme Court of Texas Louise Pearson, Clerk of the Court, Court of Criminal Appeals