

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 13-9167

ORDER APPOINTING A SPECIAL MASTER AND DIRECTING A HEARING

In re Edmund M. “Skip” Davis

Pursuant to provisions of the Rules for Suspension of Attorneys in Default on Guaranteed Student Loans, the Honorable Jeff R. Steinhauser, Judge of the 155th District Court of Austin, Fayette and Waller Counties, Texas is appointed as a Special Master to conduct a hearing requested by Edmund M. “Skip” Davis.

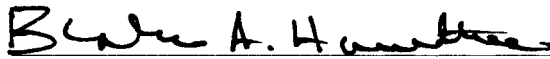
The Special Master is directed to give notice to Edmund M. “Skip” Davis and hold a hearing for the sole purpose of determining Edmund M. “Skip” Davis’ contest of the accuracy of the report of the Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation (“Corporation”) that Edmund M. “Skip” Davis is in default on repayment of a student loan. It is further directed that:

1. The hearing is to be conducted in substantial compliance with the rules of procedure and evidence governing the trial of non-jury civil causes;
2. The hearing is to be reported by a certified court reporter;
3. Following the hearing the Master shall make findings of fact based on a preponderance of the evidence, to include findings as to whether Edmund M. “Skip” Davis proved (a) the Corporation’s report that Edmund M. “Skip” Davis is in default on a student loan is inaccurate or in error, and (b) Edmund M. “Skip” Davis is in compliance with the terms of his student loan;
4. The Master shall make a report of the proceedings and file the report together with the original and a copy of the record of the proceedings, including evidence admitted, a reporter’s transcript and the Master’s findings of fact, as well as other matters the Master determines to be relevant, with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas; and

5. In the absence of a request by the Master for an extension of time, the hearing is to be completed and the Master's report and record of the hearing is to be filed with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas no later than March 9, 2014.

AS ORDERED by the Supreme Court of Texas, in chambers,

With the Seal thereof affixed at the City of Austin
this 9th day of December, 2013.



BLAKE A. HAWTHORNE, CLERK
SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS