

# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

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**Misc. Docket No. 17-9124**

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## DISBURSEMENT OF ACCESS TO JUSTICE CONTRIBUTIONS

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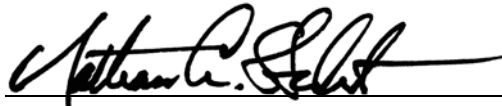
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On September 19, 2017, the Texas Access to Justice Commission reported that Texas lawyers had contributed approximately \$1,481,048.23 to access to justice on their 2017 State Bar of Texas annual dues statements to support civil legal services to the poor through programs funded by the Texas Access to Justice Foundation and the Texas Bar Foundation. In consultation with the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Bar Foundation, and the Texas Access to Justice Foundation, the Commission's report recommends that the contributions be distributed as follows. The Commission's report, to which no objections have been received, is on file with the Clerk of the Court. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that, as recommended by the Commission, the State Bar of Texas and the Clerk of the Court shall transfer from the State Bar of Texas' Access to Justice Account:

- (1) \$250,000 to the Texas Bar Foundation, of which \$50,000 must be used as a pass-through grant to the South Texas Pro Bono Asylum Representation Project (ProBAR), \$20,000 must be designated to the Access to Justice Internship Program, and the remaining \$180,000 must be provided as grants to civil legal services for low-income Texans; and
- (2) the balance to the Texas Access to Justice Foundation, of which \$100,000 must be designated to the Joe Jamail Endowment for Veteran Legal Services.

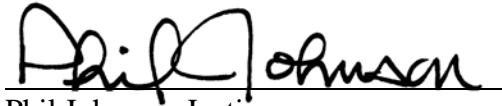
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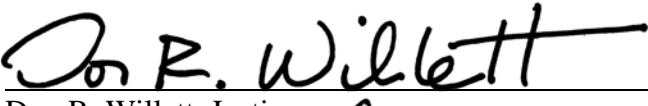
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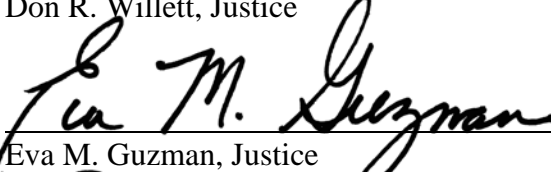
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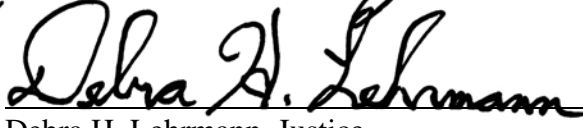
Phil Johnson, Justice



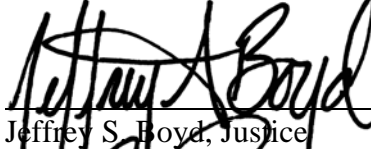
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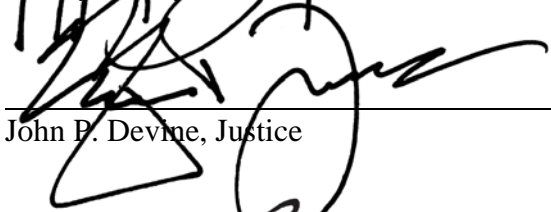
Eva M. Guzman, Justice



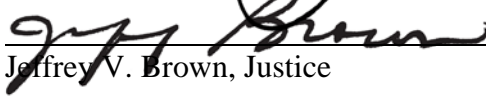
Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice



Jeffrey S. Boyd, Justice



John P. Devine, Justice



Jeffrey V. Brown, Justice