



TEXAS JUDICIAL COUNCIL

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Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals

MINUTES OF MEETING

February 8, 2024
12:00 PM Noon

COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

On February 8, 2024, Chief Justice Nathan L. Hecht called the meeting¹ of the Texas Judicial Council ("Council") to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

The following members of the Council were present:

Hon. Nathan L. Hecht, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Texas
Hon. Sharon Keller, Presiding Judge, Texas Court of Criminal Appeals
Ms. Zina Bash, Keller Lenkner LLC, Austin
Hon. Jennifer Caughey, Jackson Walker LLP, Houston
Ms. Sonia Clayton, Virtual Intelligence Providers, LLC, Houston
Mr. Jon Gimble, District Clerk, McLennan County, Waco
Hon. Bill Gravell, Jr., Constitutional County Judge, Williamson County
Hon. Claudia Laird, Judge, Probate Court No. 1, Montgomery County
Hon. Missy Medary, Judge, 347th District Court, Corpus Christi; Presiding Judge – 5th Region
Hon. Emily Miskel, Justice, 5th Court of Appeals, Dallas
Hon. Valencia Nash, Justice of the Peace Pct. 1, Place 2, Dallas County
Hon. Maggie Sawyer, Justice of the Peace, McCulloch County, Brady
Hon. Ken Wise, Justice, 14th Court of Appeals, Houston
Hon. Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, Laredo

Members not in attendance were Mr. Kevin Bryant, Sen. Brandon Creighton, Rep. Jeff Leach, Hon. Kathleen Person, Ms. Rachel Racz, Rep. Reggie Smith, and Hon. Edward J. Spillane, III

¹ The meeting may be viewed on the Office of Court Administration YouTube site at <https://www.youtube.com/user/TexasCourtAdmin/>.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The November 3, 2023, meeting minutes were approved as presented.

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

Approval of New Rule – Title 1, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 171 to Implement HB 1182 and HB 2384

Assistant General Counsel Veena Mohan and Alejandra Pena, Director of Data and Research, Office of Court Administration presented on the amendment and proposed new rules on Title 1, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 171 to implement HB 1182 and HB 2384 and comments on the amendment.

A motion to adopt the new rules was made. The new rules were adopted and approved as presented.

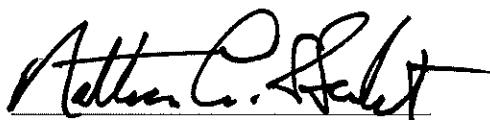
NEW BUSINESS

Judicial Council Committees and Charges

Chief Justice Hecht announced the Texas Judicial Council Committee Chairs and informed members these meetings will be scheduled in the coming weeks.

NEXT MEETING – April 26, 2024

Adjourn – 12:11 pm



Hon. Nathan L. Hecht
Chair