

Supreme Court of Texas

Misc. Docket No. 26-9016

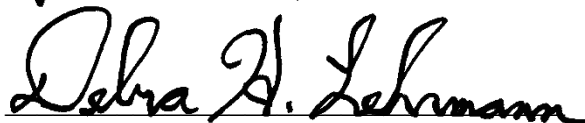
In the Matter of Joe Edward Shumate

1. The Court has received Joe Edward Shumate's motion for resignation in lieu of discipline, the Chief Disciplinary Counsel's response, and Shumate's waiver of the ten-day period for withdrawing his motion.
2. The Court finds that the requirements of Part X, Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, are met and that the allegations of Professional Misconduct in the response are conclusively established.
3. It is therefore ordered that the law license of Joe Edward Shumate, State Bar No. 18327500, is canceled.
4. Effective immediately, Shumate is prohibited from practicing law in this State.
5. Shumate must:
 - immediately surrender his State Bar card and law license to the Clerk of this Court or file an affidavit stating why he cannot;
 - immediately notify each of his current clients and opposing counsel of his resignation in writing;
 - immediately return to current and former clients all property, including papers and files, and unearned compensation in his possession;
 - immediately notify each court in which he has any matter pending of the terms of this order; the style and case number of pending matters; and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of his clients in those cases; and
 - within thirty days of the date of this order, file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711, an affidavit stating that he has complied with each requirement in this paragraph.

Dated: July 2, 2026.



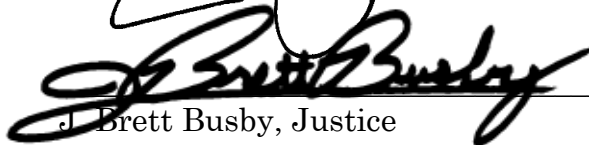
James D. Blacklock, Chief Justice



Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice



John P. Devine, Justice



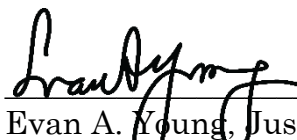
J. Brett Busby, Justice



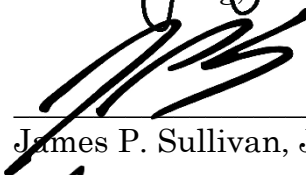
Jane N. Bland, Justice



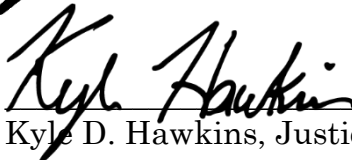
Rebeca A. Huddle, Justice



Evan A. Young, Justice



James P. Sullivan, Justice



Kyle D. Hawkins, Justice