

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS**

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Misc. Docket No. 19-9053

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**ORDER AMENDING RULE 13.1 OF  
THE TEXAS RULES OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION**

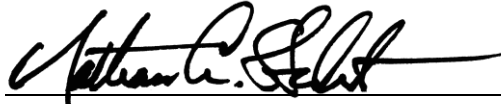
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**ORDERED** that:

1. The Supreme Court approves the following amendments to Rule 13.1 of the Texas Rules of Judicial Administration.
2. To effectuate the Act of May 16, 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., ch. 397 (SB 827, codified at TEX. GOV'T CODE § 74.1625), the amendments are effective September 1, 2019. But the amendments may be changed in response to public comments. Written comments should be sent to [rulescomments@txcourts.gov](mailto:rulescomments@txcourts.gov). The Court requests that comments be sent by December 31, 2019.
3. The amendments apply to actions commenced on or after September 1, 2019, or pending on that date, and for which the trial, or any new trial or retrial following a motion, appeal, or otherwise, begins on or after that date.
4. The Clerk is directed to:
  - a. file a copy of this order with the Secretary of State;
  - b. cause a copy of this order to be mailed to each registered member of the State Bar of Texas by publication in the *Texas Bar Journal*;
  - c. send a copy of this order to each elected member of the Legislature; and
  - d. submit a copy of the order for publication in the *Texas Register*.

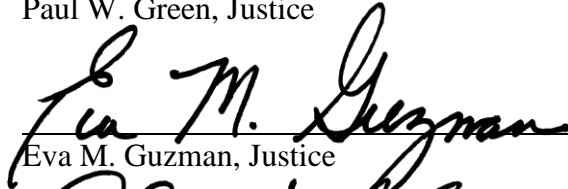
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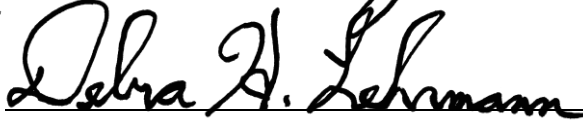
Nathan L. Hecht, Chief Justice



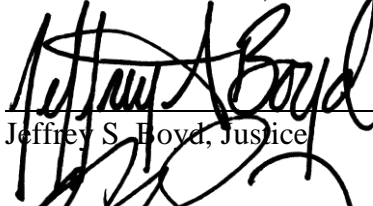
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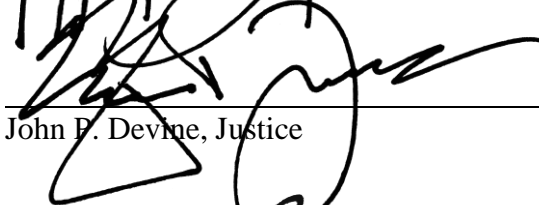
Eva M. Guzman, Justice



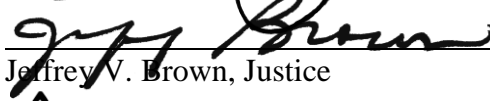
Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice



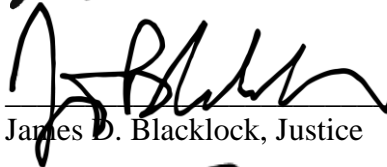
Jeffrey S. Boyd, Justice



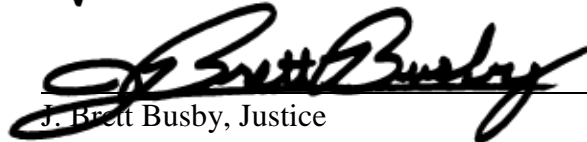
John P. Devine, Justice



Jeffrey V. Brown, Justice



James D. Blacklock, Justice



J. Brett Busby, Justice

## **Rule 13. Multidistrict Litigation**

### **13.1 Authority and Applicability.**

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(d) Prohibited Transfers. The judicial panel on multidistrict litigation may not transfer:

(1) an action brought under Subchapter E, Chapter 17, Business & Commerce Code, except an action specifically authorized by Section 17.50 of that code; or

(2) an action brought under Chapter 36, Human Resources Code.

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