LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

For Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011

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TENTH COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT

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Agency code:

Agency name: Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco

Administrator's Statement 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

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The core function of the state courts of appeals is to process, review, and decide by written opinion or order appeals from criminal and civil trial courts. This requires a highly skilled and trained professional workforce, including appellate court lawyers and clerical staff, who assist the justices of the court in disposing of cases and researching and writing opinions. Consequently, approximately 95% of the Tenth Court's appropriated budget is dedicated to salaries. During the 79th and 80th legislative sessions, the courts of appeals collectively sought resources to similarly fund same-size appellate courts to: 1) create a career ladder for staff attorneys that would allow for the recruitment and retention of qualified attorneys, 2) reclassify the majority of law clerks as permanent staff attorneys, and 3) make salary adjustments for some non-legal staff to reflect levels of responsibility. By the end of the 80th Legislature, the majority of this "guideline budget" initiative was funded, bringing same-size courts to similar funding levels. The Tenth Court is grateful for the Legislature's support in procuring this much-needed funding.

To continue meeting performance goals and dispose of more cases in less time, the guideline budgets have been revised to add funding that is needed to continue to recruit and retain a qualified staff. The additional funding will allow the courts to continue the same size court initiative of a career ladder for attorneys, add one or more permanent staff attorneys, and continue to make appropriate salary adjustments for non-legal staff to reflect increasing levels of responsibility.

While the number of justices for each state court of appeals has not been increased in twenty five (25) years, filings have increased by fifty-five (55) percent over the same time period. The courts of appeals disposed of an average of nearly 12,000 cases in each of the past six years. The courts of appeals must have an adequate number of experienced legal staff to properly handle this workload. The federal courts employ three attorneys for each active federal court of appeals judge, compared to two attorneys for each judge in the state courts of appeals. Therefore, the revised guideline budget includes an additional staff attorney to assist the court in managing its caseload in a productive and efficient manner.

The courts of appeals must also be able to offer competitive salaries in order to recruit and retain the most qualified staff. According to national statistics published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, attorneys in state government are paid less than other industry sectors, including local and federal government. In FY 2007, the annual mean wage for attorneys in state government was \$78,310 compared to \$87,130 for local government and \$119,730 for federal government. Currently, the courts of appeals have a rider that limits the pay of newly hired or promoted attorneys to \$72,500 (and \$84,000 for a chief staff attorney in each court). Further, the current budget levels do not allow adequate funding to compensate attorneys at higher rates. To address this issue, the courts of appeals have revised their guideline budgets to bring their attorney salaries more in line with other government sectors.

These guideline budget initiatives will permit the Tenth Court to continue to decrease the time cases are under submission and the time cases are pending to levels consistent with historical court performance goals. The court's clearance rate would remain at or slightly above 100%.

RIDER REQUESTS:

The court requests a change to Article IV rider, Sec. 12, Appellate Court Salary Limits, to reflect the salary levels proposed in the revised guideline budgets (\$85,000 for staff attorney and \$97,750 for chief staff attorney).

The court also requests the following with regard to the across the board riders found in Article IV (p. IV-39):

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1) Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 9, Appellate Court Exemptions

2) Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 10, Appn: Unexpended Balances Between Fiscal Years within the Biennium

3) Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 13, Interagency Contracts for Assigned Judges for Appellate Courts

4) Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 14, Appellate Court Transfer Authority

Historically, the Legislature has granted the courts exemption from certain limitations in the General Appropriations Act. They have also granted the authority to carryover unexpended budget balances between years of the biennium. The flexibility afforded by these measures enhances the courts' management ability, and we seek continuation of these budget features.

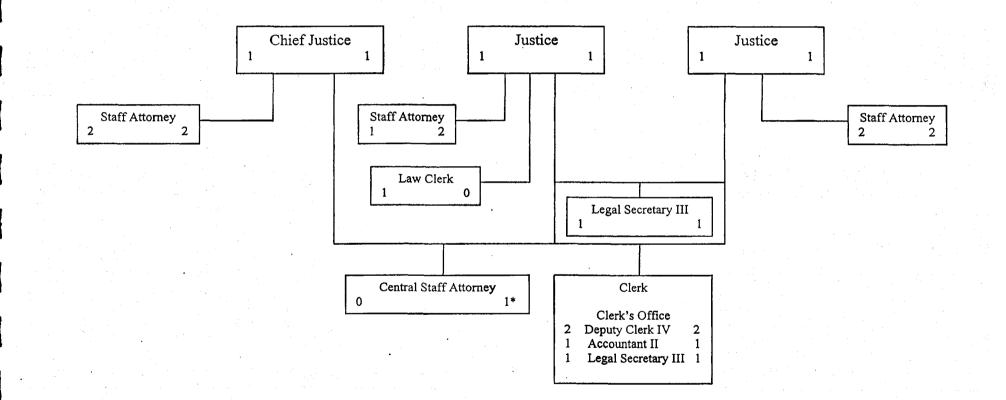
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

This Court supports the consolidated budget approach represented in the biennial appropriations request of the Office of Court Administration. If the OCA's request is not fully funded for the 2010-11 biennium, this court would need additional funds to maintain its own, separate information technology network.

NOTE on Appropriated Receipts – At the direction of the LBB & Governors Office, this court has included appropriated receipts in the amount of \$10,000, reflecting reimbursement for copies of opinions and other court documents.

These amounts are merely an offset for additional expenses incurred by the court, and do not constitute additional funds available for general expenditures of the court. The amount can vary significantly from year to year.

Organizational Chart Tenth Court of Appeals 2010-2011



*Employee related to Exceptional Item

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2.A. SUMMARY OF BASE REQUEST BY STRATEGY 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:25:34AM

Agency code: 230 Agency name: Tenth Court of	of Appeals District, W	aco			
Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	Req 2010	Req 2011
1 Appellate Court Operations					
1Appellate Court Operations					
1 APPELLATE COURT OPERATIONS	1,270,503	1,229,453	1,317,627	1,275,627	1,275,627
TOTAL, GOAL 1	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
OTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST*				\$0	\$0
RAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
IETHOD OF FINANCING:				· ·	
General Revenue Funds:					
General Revenue Fund	1,165,198	1,125,653	1,215,177	1,173,177	1,173,177
SUBTOTAL	\$1,165,198	\$1,125,653	\$1,215,177	\$1,173,177	\$1,173,177
Other Funds:					
73 Judicial Fund	92,450	92,450	92,450	9 2,450	92,450
66 Appropriated Receipts	12,855	11,350	10,000	10,000	10,000
SUBTOTAL	\$105,305	\$103,800	\$102,450	\$102,450	\$102,450
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627

*Rider appropriations for the historical years are included in the strategy amounts.

2.B. SUMMARY OF BASE REQUEST BY METHOD OF FINANCE 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1

DATE: TIME:

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Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Agency code: 230	Agency name:	Tenth Court of Appeals	District, Wa co		
ETHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	Req 2010	Req 2011
		. · · · ·			
GENERAL REVENUE					
1 General Revenue Fund					
REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS			•		
Regular Appropriations					
	\$1,120,878	\$1,162,710	\$1,162,710	\$1,173,1 77	\$1,173,177
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TRANSFERS	- '	•			
Art IX, Sec 13.17(a), Salary Increase (2006-07 GAA)				
	\$4,218	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Art IX, Sec 19.62(a), Salary Increase (
	\$0	\$4,943	\$10,467	\$0	\$0
			•		
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS Lapsed Appropriations					
Lapsed Appropriations	\$(54,570)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$(34,370)	ФU	φυ	Ф О	- -
UNEXPENDED BALANCES AUTHORIT	Y				
2006-07 GAA, Article IV, Sec. 10, Ur					
	\$94,672	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2008-09 GAA, Article IV, Sec. 10, Ur	-				•
	\$0	\$(42,000)	\$42,000	\$0	\$0
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OTAL, General Revenue Fund	\$1,165,198	\$1,125,653	\$1,215,177	\$1,173,17 7	\$1,173,177

	2.B. SUMMARY OF 81st Regular	BASE REQUEST BY M Session, Agency Submis	ETHOD OF FINANCE ssion, Version 1	DATE: TIME:	8/5/2008 9:25:51AM
	Automated Bud	get and Evaluation System	of Texas (ABEST)		
Agency code: 230	Agency name:	Tenth Court of Appo	eals District, Waco		
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	Req 2010	Req 2011
FOTAL, ALL GENERAL REVENUE	\$1,165,198	\$1,125,653	\$1,215,177	\$1,173,177	\$1,173,177
OTHER FUNDS					
573 Judicial Fund No. 573 <i>REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS</i> Regular Appropriations					
reguni repropriations	\$0	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$92,450
TRANSFERS HB 11, 79th Leg. 2nd Called Sess	ion, 2005				
	\$92,450	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTAL, Judicial Fund No. 573	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$92,450
666 Appropriated Receipts REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS				a a ser a ser A ser a s	
Regular Appropriations			•		
	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
RIDER APPROPRIATION Art IX, Sec 8.03, Reimbursements	and Payments (20006-07 G	AA)			
	\$12,855	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Art IX, Sec 8.03, Reimbursements	•				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	\$0	\$1,350	\$0	\$0	\$0

	2.B. SUMMARY OF 81st Regular Automated Bud	n, Version 1		DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:25:51AM	
Agency code: 230	Agency name:	Tenth Court of Appeals	District, Waco		
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	Req 2010	Req 2011
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL, Appropriated Receipts	\$12,855	\$11,350	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
TOTAL, ALL OTHER FUNDS	\$105,3 05	\$103,800	\$102,450	\$102,450	\$102,450
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT POSITIONS REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriation from Bill Pattern Adjustments	16. 5 (0. 7)	15.0 (0.3)	15.0 0.0	15.0 0.0	15.0
TOTAL, ADJUSTED FTES	15.8	14.7	15.0	15.0	15.0
NUMBER OF 100% FEDERALLY FUNDED FTEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

2.C. SUMMARY OF BASE REQUEST BY OBJECT OF EXPENSE	DATE:	8 /5/2008
81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1	TIME:	9:26:23AM
Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)		

Agency code: 230	Agency name: Tenth Co	ourt of Appeals Distr	ict, Waco		
OBJECT OF EXPENSE	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	BL 2010	BL 2011
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$1,091,895	\$1,106,462	\$1,178,557	\$1,178,557	\$1,178,557
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$79,220	\$14,467	\$21,270	\$12,000	\$12,000
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$140	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$5,201	\$11,978	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
2004 UTILITIES	\$1,427	\$1,975	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
2005 TRAVEL	\$9,893	\$9,425	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$624	\$624	\$8 00	\$8 00	\$800
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$82,103	\$83,522	\$89,500	\$58,770	\$58,770
OOE Total (Excluding Riders)	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
OOE Total (Riders) Grand Total	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627

2.C.1. OPERATING COSTS DETAIL ~ BASE REQUEST 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Date: 8/5/2008 Time: 9:27:15AM

Agency Code: 230 Agency: Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco

BASE REQUEST STRATEGY: 1-1-1 Appellate Court Operations

Code	Type of Expense	Expended 2007	Estimated 2008	Budgeted 2009	Requested 2010	Requested 2011
1	Consumable Supplies	\$5,201 8,000	\$11,978	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
4	Postage Travel	9,89 3	8,00 0 9,42 5	8,000 12,000	8,000 10,000	8,00 0 10,00 0
5	Westlaw/Lexis	5,934	5,338	6,000	6,000	6,00 0
6 7	Registrations/Training Subscriptions/Periodicals	2,74 6 9,30 0	2,481 13,13 4	3,000 12,000	3,000 12,000	3,000
10	Court Security	31,836	34,83 2	37,000	9,430	12,00 0 9,43 0
11	Misc. Operating Costs	26,338	22,337	26,800	23,640	23,640
	Total, Operating Costs	\$99,248	\$107,52 5	\$116,800	\$ 84,07 0	\$84,07 0

OPERATING COSTS DETAIL ~ EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

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Agency Code: 230 Agency: Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco

BASE REQUEST STRATEGY: Appellate Court Operations

Code	Type of Expense	Year	Exceptional 1	Exceptional 2	Exceptional 3	Exceptional 4	Exceptional 5
1	Consumable Supplies	2010 2011	\$3,575 4,575		· · · · · ·		
2	Postage	20 10 20 11					
4	Travel	20 10 20 11	2,0 00 2,5 00	•			an an Anna an A Anna an Anna an
5	Westlaw/Lexis	2010 2011			1.		
6	Registrations/Training	2010 2011			•		
7	Subscriptions/Periodicals	20 10 20 11					
10	Court Security	2010 2011	27,570 27,570				
11	Misc. Operating Costs	20 10 20 11	22,085 29,351				
	Total, Operating Costs	2010 2011	\$55,230 \$63,996				

2.D. SUMMARY OF BASE REQUEST OBJECTIVE OUTCOMES

81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation system of Texas (ABEST) Date : 8/5/2008 Time: 9:25:54AM

Agency code: 230	Age	ncy name: Tenth Court	of Appeals District, Waco		•
Goal/ Objective / Outcome	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	BL 2010	BL 2011
1Appellate Court Operations1Appellate Court OperationsKEY11Clearance Rate					
	108.86%	87.00%	100.00%	95.00%	95.00%
KEY 2 Percentage of Cases Under Su	ibmission for Less T	'han One Year			
	0.00%	99.82%	100.00%	98.00%	98.00%
KEY 3 Percentage of Cases Pending	for Less Than Two	Years			
	1.07 %	99.24%	100.00%	98.00%	98.00%

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2.E. SUMMARY OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS REQUEST 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:26:00AM

Agency code: 230	ł	Agency name: Ter	nth Court o	of Appeals District	, Waco			
		20 10			2 011		Bienniu	m
Priority Item	GR and GR/GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds
4 SIMILAR FUNDING	\$181,041	\$181,041	1.0	\$264,109	\$264,109	1.0	\$445,150	\$445,150
Total, Exceptional Items Request	\$181,041	\$181,041	1.0	\$264,109	\$264,109	1.0	\$445,150	\$445,150
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
Method of Financing								
General Revenue	\$181,041	\$181,041		\$264,109	\$264,109		\$445,150	\$445,150
General Revenue - Dedicated Federal Funds Other Funds	•			•				
	\$181,041	\$18 1,041		\$264,109	\$264,109		\$445,150	\$445,150
Full Time Equivalent Positions			1.0			1.0		
Number of 100% Federally Funded F	TEs	· · · ·	0.0			0.0		

2.F. SUMMARY OF TOTAL REQUEST BY STRATEGY 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE : 8/5/2008 TIME : 9:26:06AM

Agency code:230Agency name:Tenth Court of A	ppeals District, W	/aco				
Goal/Objective/STRATEGY	Base 2010	Base 2011	Exceptional 2010	Exceptional 2011	Total Request 2010	Total Request 2011
1 Appellate Court Operations						
1 Appellate Court Operations						
1 APPELLATE COURT OPERATIONS	\$1,275,62 7	\$1,275,627	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,456,668	\$1,539,7 36
TOTAL, GOAL 1	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,456,668	\$1,539,736
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,456,668	\$1,539,736
TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST	<u> </u>					
GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,456,668	\$1,539,736

2.F. SUMMARY OF TOTAL REQUEST BY STRATEGY 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE : TIME : 8/5/2008 9:26:09AM

Agency code: 230 Agency name: Tenth	Court of Appeals District, W	/aco	. • .			
Goal/Objective/STRATEGY	Base 2010	Base 2011	Exceptional 2010	Exceptional 2011	Total Request 2010	Total Request 2011
General Revenue Funds:						
1 General Revenue Fund	\$1,173,177	\$1,173,177	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,354,218	\$1,437,286
Other Funds:	\$1,173,177	\$1,173,177	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,354,218	\$1,437,286
573 Judicial Fund	9 2,450	9 2,450	0	. 0	\$92,450	\$92,450
666 Appropriated Receipts	10,000	10,000	0	0	\$10,000	\$10,000
	\$102,450	\$102,450	\$0	\$0	\$102,450	\$102,450
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627	\$181,041	\$264,109	\$1,456,668	\$1,539,736
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS	15.0	15.0	1.0	1.0	16.0	16.0

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Agency co	ode: 230 A	gency name	: Tenth Court of A	ppeals District, Waco	·	•	
Goal/ Obj	jective / Outcome				• . ¹		
	BL 2010	•	BL 2011	Excp 2010	Ехср 2011	Total Request 2010	Total Request 2011
1	Appellate Court Operations Appellate Court Operations		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			· · · · ·	
KEY	1 Clearance Rate						
	95.00%		95.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
KEY	2 Percentage of Cases Un	ider Submis	sion for Less Than	One Year			
	98.00%		98.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
KEY	3 Percentage of Cases Pe	nding for L	ess Than Two Year	'S			
	98.00%		98.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

3.A. STRATEGY REQUEST 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:26:18AM

Agency code:	230	Agency name: Tenth Cour	t of Appeals 1	District, Waco					
GOAL:	1	Appellate Court Operations				Statewid	e Goal/Benchmark:	0 0	
OBJECTIVE:	1	Appellate Court Operations				Service (Categories:		
STRATEGY:	1	Appellate Court Operations				Service:	01 Income:	A.2 Age: B.3	3
CODE D	DESC	RIPTION		Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2 009	BL 2010	BL 2011	
Output Measure	es:								
l Number	r of C	ivil Cases Disposed		238.00	180.00	171.00	171.00	171.00	
2 Number	ofC	riminal Cases Disposed		278.00	230.00	219.00	219.00	219.00	
Explanatory/Inp	put N	leasures:							
1 Number	r of C	ivil Cases Filed		171.00	200.00	194.00	194.00	19 4.00	
2 Number	r of C	riminal Cases Filed		227.00	245.00	246.00	246.00	24 6.00	
3 Number	ofC	ases Transferred in		12.00	1.00	0 .00	0.00	0.00	
4 Number	of C	ases Transferred out		18.00	42.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Objects of Expen	nse:								
1001 SALAF	RIES	AND WAGES		\$1,091,895	\$1,106,462	\$1,178,557	\$1,178,557	\$1,178,557	
1002 OTHER	R PE	RSONNEL COSTS		\$79,220	\$14,467	\$21,270	\$12,000	\$12,000	
2001 PROFE	ESSIC	DNAL FEES AND SERVICES		\$140	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
2003 CONSU	UMA	BLE SUPPLIES		\$5,201	\$11,978	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	
2004 UTILI]	TIES			\$1,427	\$1,975	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	
2005 TRAVI	EL	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		\$9,893	\$9,425	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	
2007 RENT	- MA	CHINE AND OTHER		\$624	\$624	\$800	\$800	\$800	
2009 OTHEI	R OP	ERATING EXPENSE	· · · · ·	\$82,103	\$83,522	\$89,500	\$58,770	\$58,770	
TOTAL, OBJEC	ст с	OF EXPENSE		\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627	
Method of Finar	ncing	:					•		
1 Genera	l Rev	enue Fund		\$1,165,198	\$1,125,653	\$1,215,177	\$1,173,177	\$1,173,177	
SUBTOTAL, M	(OF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$1,165,198	\$1,125,653	\$1,215,177	\$1,173,177	\$1,173,177	
Method of Finar						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	* ***		
573 Judicia			$(x,y) \in [x,y]$	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$92,450	\$9 2,450	\$92,450	
666 Арргор	priate	d Receipts		\$12,855	\$11,350	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	

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3.A. STRATEGY REQUEST

81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:26:20AM

Agency code: 230	Agency name: Tenth Court of Appeals Distri	ict, Waco	<u></u>	· · · ·	•	······
-	ppellate Court Operations ppellate Court Operations			•	e Goal/Benchmark: Categories:	0 0
STRATEGY: 1 A	ppellate Court Operations			Service:	01 Income: A.	2 Age: B.3
CODE DESCRI	PTION	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	BL 2010	BL 2011
SUBTOTAL, MOF (OT	THER FUNDS)	\$105,305	\$103,800	\$102,450	\$102,450	\$102,450
TOTAL, METHOD OF	FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDER S)				\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
TOTAL, METHOD OF	FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
FULL TIME EQUIVAL	ENT POSITIONS:	15.8	14.7	15.0	15.0	15.0

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Tenth Court of Appeals was created in 1923 by an Act of the 38th Legislature, Senate Bill 197. This Court has jurisdiction of both civil and criminal cases appealed from lower courts; in civil cases where judgment exceeds \$100, exclusive of costs, and other civil proceedings as provided by law; and in criminal cases except in some postconviction writs of habeas corpus and where the death penalty has been assessed. The Court has jurisdiction in eighteen counties.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Court of Appeals are, by nature, small agencies with highly specialized staff. The main factor which drives this strategy is the need to attract and retain highly trained and knowledgeable staff to work on an increasing caseload.

3.A. STRATEGY REQUEST 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: **8/**5/2008 TIME: 9:26:20AM

SUMMARY TOTALS:					
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE: METHODS OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS):	\$1,270,5 03	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627 \$1,275,627	\$1,275,627 \$1,275,627
METHODS OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS):	\$1,270,503	\$1,229,453	\$1,317,627	\$1,275,627	\$1,275,627
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	15.8	14.7	15.0	15.0	15.0

3.A. Page 3 of 3

3.B. RIDER REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS REQUEST

		ency Name: hth Court of Appeals	Prepared by: Beverly Williams	Date: 08-06-2008	Request Level: Baseline
Current Rider Number	Page Nur in 2008-09 (Proposed R	Rider Language	
5	IV-3	Supreme Court to trai	The Chief Justices of the 14 Courts of App nsfer cases between appellate courts whice workloads of the various courts of appea	ch are in neighboring jurisd	operate with the Chief Justice of the ictions in order to equalize the
8	IV-39	a judicial internship p	Program. It is the intent of the Legislatur program for Texas appellate and trial cour- e development of the judicial internship	rts. The Judicial Branch is e	cooperate with law schools to establi encouraged to work with the Texas
9	IV-39	Appellate Court Exe	emptions. The following provisions of A	rticle IX of this Act do not	apply to the appellate courts:
		b. Article IX, §	5.08, Limitation on Travel Expenditures 6.10, Limitation on State Employment L 6.15, Performance Rewards and Penaltie	Levels	
		d. Article IX, §	14.03, Limit on Expenditures - Capital B s request that this rider be retained and s	Budget	is needed.
10	IV-39		xpended Balances Between Fiscal Year to the appellate courts for fiscal year 200 s.	rs within the Biennium. A 8 are hereby appropriated to	ny unexpended balances from o the same court for fiscal year 2009
			's request that this rider be retained.		

3.B. RIDER REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS REQUEST

		Agency N Tenth Cou	ame: irt of Appeals	Prepared by: Beverly Williams	Date: 08-06-2008	Request Level: Baseline		
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11	r	V-39	courts in the submissio	te Court Local Funding Information. n of a report for local funding informatio ding fiscal year ending August 31. The r or.	on each January 1 to the Le	egislative Budget Board and the		
12	Γ	V-39	chief staff attorney prot the intent of the Legisla	ry Limits. It is the intent of the Legislatu moted or hired after September 1, 2011, ature that no intermediate appellate cour re than \$85,000 annually. This provision	more than \$97,750 annual t may pay other permanent	ly under this provision. Further, it is legal staff hired or promoted after		
13	r	V-39	A.1.1, Appellate Court Appeals may enter into reimbursing the Compt the appellate courts. It appellate courts are in a	s for Assigned Judges for Appellate C Operations, the Supreme Court of Texa a contract with the Office of the Compt roller for amounts expended for judges a is the intent of the Legislature that any a addition to amounts appropriated for the ary Section, Comptroller's Department.	s, the Court of Criminal Ap troller for fiscal years 2010 assigned under Chapter 74 mounts reimbursed under	ppeals, or any of the 14 Courts of and 2011, for the purpose of , Government Code to hear cases of this contract for judges assigned to the		

3.B. RIDER REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS REQUEST

Agency Code: 230Agency N Tenth CouCurrent RiderPage Number in 2008-09 GAA		Name: Court of Appeals					
			Proposed Rider Language				
14	IV-39	Criminal Appeals, or t notwithstanding any o Board and the Govern and management of co the Legislative Budger	nsfer Authority. The Chief Justice of the he Chair of the Council of Chief Justices ther provision in this Act and subject to p or. Any such transfer shall be made for the purt caseloads. It is the intent of the Legis Board and the Governor in reviewing an st for the 2012-2013 biennium.	s is authorized to transfer for prior approval of any transi he purpose of efficient and slature that transfers made	ands between appellate courts, fer of funds by the Legislative Budge effective appellate court operations under this provision are addressed by		

4.A. EXCEPTIONAL ITEM REQUEST SCHEDULE

81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1

Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Agency code: 230	Agency name:	th Court of Appeals District, Waco	
CODE DESCRIPTION	10	Excp 2010	Excp 2011
Includes Funding for the Following St	Item Name: Item Priority: rategy or Strategies:	SIMILAR FUNDING FOR SAME SIZE COURTS 4 01-01-01 Appellate Court Operations	
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE: 1001 SALARIES AND WAG 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPP 2005 TRAVEL 2009 OTHER OPERATING	LIES	125,811 3,575 2,000 49,655	200,113 4,575 2,500 56,921
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EX	PENSE	\$181,041	\$264,109
METHOD OF FINANCING: 1 General Revenue Fund	1. (1997) 1. (1997)	181,041	264,109
TOTAL, METHOD OF FI FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION		\$181,041 1.00	\$264,109 1.00

DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

To continue meeting performance goals and dispose of more cases in less time, the guideline budgets have been revised to add funding that is needed to continue to recruit and retain a qualified staff. Funding for this exceptional item will provide the balance of block grant funding for Similar Funding for Same-sized Courts which will allow the courts to continue their initiative of a career ladder for attorneys, add one permanent staff attorney, continue to make appropriate salary adjustments for non-legal staff to reflect increasing levels of responsibility and to restore travel and court security to current levels.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:

9:26:30AM

8/5/2008

DATE:

TIME:

4.A. EXCEPTIONAL ITEM REQUEST SCHEDULE		
81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1		
Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)		

DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:26:33AM

Agency code: 230

Agency name:

Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco

CODE DESCRIPTION

Excp 2010 Excp 2011

While the number of justices for each state court of appeals has not been increased in twenty five (25) years, filings have increased by fifty-five (55) percent over the same time period. The courts of appeals disposed of an average of nearly 12,000 cases in each of the past six years. The courts of appeals must have an adequate number of experienced legal staff to properly handle this workload. The federal courts employ three attorneys for each active federal court of appeals judge, compared to two attorneys for each judge in the state courts of appeals. Therefore, the revised guideline budget includes an additional staff attorney to assist the court in managing its caseload in a productive and efficient manner.

The courts of appeals must also be able to offer competitive salaries in order to recruit and retain the most qualified staff. According to national statistics published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, attorneys in state government are paid less than other industry sectors, including local and federal government. In FY 2007, the annual mean wage for attorneys in state government was \$78,310 compared to \$87,130 for local government and \$119,730 for federal government. Currently, the courts of appeals have a rider that limits the pay of newly hired or promoted attorneys to \$72,500 (and \$84,000 for a chief staff attorney in each court). Further, the current budget levels do not allow adequate funding to compensate attorneys at higher rates. To address this issue, the courts of appeals have revised their guideline budgets to bring their attorney salaries more in line with other government sectors.

These guideline budget initiatives will permit the Tenth Court to continue to decrease the time cases are under submission and the time cases are pending to levels consistent with historical court performance goals. The court's clearance rate would remain at or slightly above 100%.

4.B. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS STRATEGY ALLOCATION SCHEDULE

81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 10:47:16AM

Agency code: 230	Agency name: Ten	th Court of Appeals District, Waco		
Code Description	· · ·		Excp 2010	Excp 2011
Item Name:	SIMILAR FUN	DING FOR SAME SIZE COURTS		
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-1	Appellate Court Operations		
STRATEGY IMPACT ON OUT	COME MEASURES:			
<u>1</u> Clearance Ra	te		100.00%	100.00%
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:				
1001 SALA	RIES AND WAGES		125,811	200,113
2003 CONS	UMABLE SUPPLIES		3,575	4,575
2005 TRAV	EL		2,000	2,500
2009 OTHE	R OPERATING EXPE	NSE	49,655	56,921
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENS	E		\$181,041	\$264,109
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General	Revenue Fund		181,041	264,109
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINAN	CING		\$181,041	\$264,109
FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT PO	SITIONS (FTE):		1.0	1.0

	81st Regular	ONAL ITEMS STRA Session, Agency Submited and Evaluation System	ssion, Versio	on 1		DATE: TIME:		5/2008 26:43AM
Agency Code: 230	Agency name:	Tenth Court of Appea	ls District, '	Waco				
GOAL:1Appellate Court OperationsOBJECTIVE:1Appellate Court OperationsSTRATEGY:1Appellate Court Operations	•			Statewide Go Service Categ Service: 01	al/Benchmark gories: Income:	: A.2	0 Age:	- 0 B.3
CODE DESCRIPTION		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·····	Ехср 2010			Excp 2011
STRATEGY IMPACT ON OUTCOME MEASURES:								
 Clearance Rate Percentage of Cases Under Submission for Less T Percentage of Cases Pending for Less Than Two Y OBJECTS OF EXPENSE: 					100.00 % 100.00 % 100.00 %			100.00 100.00 100.00
 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES 2005 TRAVEL 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 					125,811 3,575 2,000 49,65 5			200,113 4,575 2,500 56,921
					\$181,041			\$264,109
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Total, Objects of Expense METHOD OF FINANCING: 1 General Revenue Fund				. <u> </u>	181,041			264,109
METHOD OF FINANCING:				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · ·			264,109 \$264,109

SIMILAR FUNDING FOR SAME SIZE COURTS

6.A. HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1

Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Date: 8/5/2008 Time: 9:26:59AM

Agency Code: 230 Agency: Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco

COMPARISON TO STATEWIDE HUB PROCUREMENT GOALS

A. Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007 HUB Expenditure Information

Statewide		Procurement	rocurement <u>HUB Expenditures FY 2006</u>		Total Expenditures	HU	J B Expendi tur	Total Expenditures		
HU	B Goals	Category	% Goal	% Actual	Actual \$	FY 2006	% Goal	% Actual	Actual \$	FY 2007
	11.9%	Heavy Construction	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0
	26.1%	Building Construction	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0 %	0 .0%	\$0	\$0
	57.2%	Special Trade Construction	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0
	20.0%	Professional Services	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0 %	0.0%	\$0	\$0
	33.0%	Other Services	0.0 %	0.2%	\$62	\$37,440	0.0 %	0.0%	\$15	\$39,129
	12.6%	Commodities	0.0 %	87.6%	\$3,172	\$3,621	0.0 %	36.4%	\$3,342	\$9,177
		Total Expenditures		7.9%	\$3,234	\$41,061		6.9%	\$3,357	\$48,306

B. Assessment of Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007 Efforts to Meet HUB Procurement Goals

Attainment:

The Tenth Court of Appeals did not attain our goal in other services or commodities. We did not have any expenditures in the other categories.

Applicability:

The "Heavy Construction", "Buildinig Construction", and "Special Trade", categories are not applicable to the Court's operations in either fiscal year 2006 or fiscal year 2007.

Factors Affecting Attainment:

The majority of the Court's appropriations are expended on salaries and personnel costs. A large portion of the Court's remaining expenditures are sole-source. Whenever possible and feasible, other purchasing is carried out through TBPC term contract/catalog purchasing. In addition, the Office of Court Administration provides almost all of the computer equipment and support.

"Good-Faith" Efforts:

The Court continues to make a good faith effort to incrase purchases and contract awards to HUBs. All other factors under TBPC purchasing rules being equal, HUB vendors are given preference. however, thre are instances where HUB vendor products or services are more costly than nonHUB vendors, and under such circumstances the agency will choose the best value as it is incurring expenses using taxpayer's dollars. All other factors under the TBPC rules being equal, the agency plans to make a good faith effort to meet and incrase the TBPC's HUB goals by giving HUB vendors preference for purchases.

6.I. 10 Percent Biennal Base Reduction Options Schedule

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Agenc	y Code:		Agency Name:								
Rank		Reduction Item		Biennial Applic	ation of 10% Pe	ercent Reductio	ÖN	FTE Reductions (FY 2010-11 Base Request Compared to Budgeted 2009)		Revenue Impact? Y/N	
	Strat		GR	GR-Dedicated	Federal	Other	All Funds	FY 08	FY 09		<u> </u>
1	1001	Appellate Court Operations	264,467				\$ 264,467	0	0	N	11.8%
2	l						\$ -				11.8%
3							\$ -				11.8%
4							\$ -				11.8%
5							\$ -				11.8%
6							\$ -				11.8%
7							\$ -				11.8%
8							\$ -				11.8%
9	<u> </u>						\$ -				11.8%
10					····		\$ -				11.8%
11						1	\$ -				11.8%
12							\$ -				11.8%
		/ Biennial Total	\$ 264,467	\$ -	\$.	\$ -	\$ 264,467	0.0	0.0		11.8%
	Agency	/ Blennial Total (GR + GR-D)		\$ 264,467						,	Landard

Rank / Name

Approved Reduction Amount

Explanation of Impact to Programs and Revenue Collections

1 Appellate Court Operations

This reduction is being accomplished by eliminating court security officers and an across the board pay cut to all staff (attorneys and administrative).

6.I. Page 1 of 1

7.B. DIRECT ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT COSTS 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Agency	code: 230 Age	Agency name: Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco								
-		• •		• •						
Strateg	<u>y</u>		Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	BL 2010	BL 2011			
1-1-1	Appellate Court Operations									
OBJEC	CTS OF EXPENSE:									
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$	118,811 \$	127 ,994 \$	133,320 \$	133,320 \$	133,320			
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS		8, 619	1,630	2,406	1,357	1,357			
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES		140	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000			
20 03	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	•	566	1,350	1,357	1,357	1,357			
2 004	UTILITIES		155	222	283	283	283			
2005	TRAVEL		9, 893	9,425	12,000	10,000	10,000			
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER		69	80	90	90	90			
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE		39,289	48,672	54, 649	26,722	26,722			
	Total, Objects of Expense	\$	177,542 \$	190,373 \$	205,105 \$	174,129 \$	174,129			
МЕТНС	OD OF FINANCING:									
1	General Revenue Fund		174,214	187,045	201,777	170,801	170,801			
573	Judicial Fund	s	3,328	3,328	3,328	3,328	3,328			
	Total, Method of Financing	\$	177,542 \$	190,373 \$	205,105 \$	174,129 \$	174,129			
FULL-T	FIME-EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0			

7.B. DIRECT ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT COSTS 81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: 8/5/2008 TIME: 9:27:12AM

Agency code: 230	•	•	Agency name:	Tenth Court of Appe	als District, Waco			
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			-	Exp 2007	Est 2008	Bud 2009	BL 2010	BL 2011

GRAND TOTALS

Objects of Expense

Method of Financing					
Total, Objects of Expense	\$177,542	\$190,373	\$205,105	\$174,129	\$174,129
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$39,289	\$48,672	\$54,649	\$26,722	\$26,7 22
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$69	\$80	\$90	\$90	\$90
2005 TRAVEL	· \$9,893	\$9,425	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
2004 UTILITIES	\$155	\$222	\$283	\$283	\$283
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$566	\$1,350	\$1,357	\$1,357	\$1,357
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$140	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$8,619	\$1,630	\$2,406	\$1,357	\$1,357
	\$118,811	\$127,994	\$133,320	\$133,320	\$133,320

				·	Evaluation System					·
ency code:			Agency	name: Ten	th Court of Appe	als District, Wac	20	GR Baseline Réqu	est Limit = \$2,346,3	54
Str	Strategy/Strategy Option/Rider					GR-D Baseline Request Limit		= \$1		
2010 Funds				2011 Funds				Biennial	Biennial	·
FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	Cumulative GR	Cumulative Ded	Page #
Strategy: 1 - 1 15.0	-1 Appellat 1,275,627	e Court Operations 1,173,177	0	15.0	1,275,627	1,173,177	0	2,346,354	0	<u></u>
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CERTIFICATE

Agency Name ______ TENTH COURT OF APPEALS _____

This is to certify that the information contained in the agency Legislative Appropriation Request filed with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and the Governor's Office of Budget, Planning and Policy (GOBPP) is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the electronic submission to the LBB via the Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) and the bound paper copies are identical.

Additionally, should it become likely at any time that unexpended balances will accrue for any account, the LBB and the GOBPP will be notified in writing in accordance with Article IX, Section 7.01, (2010-11 GAA).

Chief Executive Officer

See attached page

Signature

<u>Thomas W. Gray</u> Printed Name

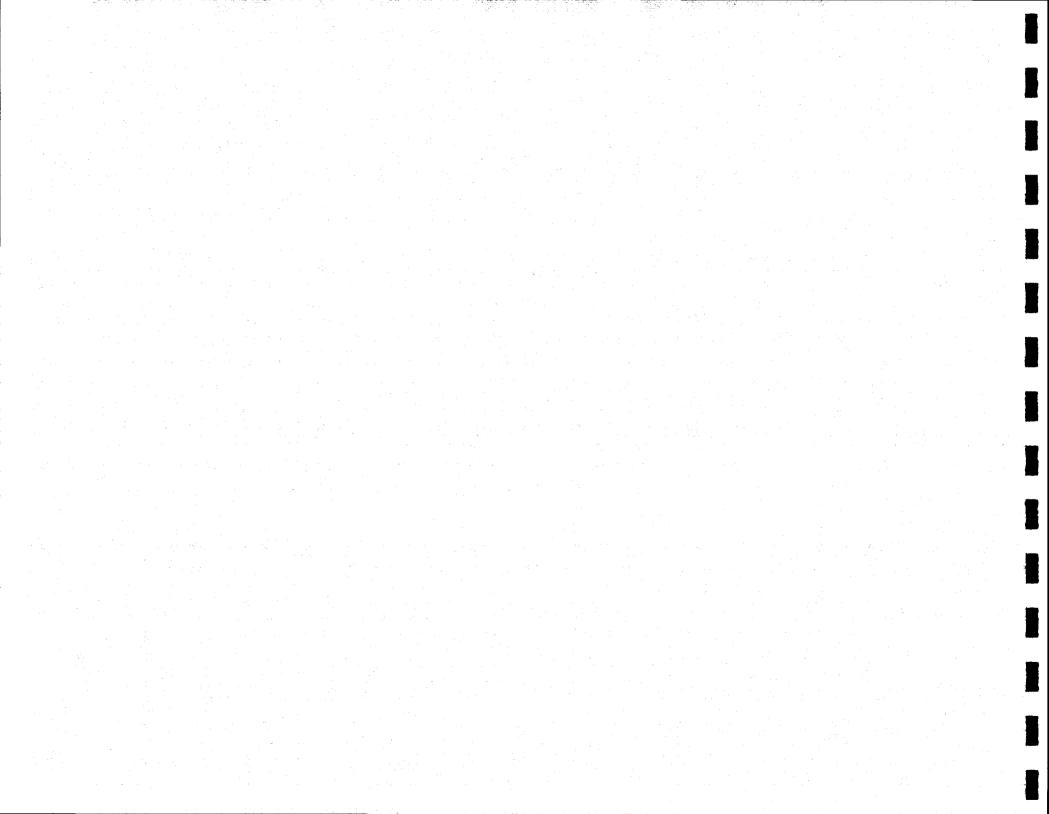
Chief Justice Title

Chief Financial Officer Signature

Beverly Williams Printed Name

	Accountant
Title	
	8-6-08
Date	

Date



In the absence of the Chief Justice, the Chief Executive Officer, the foregoing Certification is made by the undersigned, a majority of the Justices of the Tenth Court of Appeals, on behalf of the Court.

Signature

Bill Vance Printed Name

Justice Title

<u>August 6, 2008</u> Date

Signature /

Felipe Reyna Printed Name

Justice Title

<u>August 6, 2008</u> Date