

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 92-~~2201~~

APPOINTMENT OF STUDY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL AND COURT PERSONNEL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

ORDERED:

Whereas programs for the education of judges and court personnel have been provided in Texas for almost two decades, whereas state funds for such programs have been appropriated to the Supreme Court for almost one-half of a decade, and whereas the court has now been assigned two additional programs, the Supreme Court finds that now is an appropriate time to conduct an in-depth study of all practices and procedures of the court involving judicial and court personnel education, including the rules and procedures governing judicial education, the responsibilities and membership of the judicial education committees, and the operations of the judicial and court personnel education entities, including the planning, structure, instruction methods, funding, organization, and effectiveness of the programs.

Therefore, the court hereby appoints a Study Committee to undertake this study, to be composed of Professor Millard Ruud, Chairman, Dean John Sutton, and Judge Thomas M. Reavley.

The court directs the Study Committee to undertake a detailed study of all aspects of the judicial and court personnel training programs, the responsibilities, duties, and operations of the court and judicial and court personnel education committees and entities, the rules and procedures of the court concerning judicial and court personnel education, and the planning, structure, instruction methods, funding, organization, and of the kind, content, and effectiveness of programs presented by each of the five current providers of education programs funded by grants from the court -- the Texas Center for the Judiciary, the Texas Justice of the Peace Training Center, the Texas Municipal Court Training Center, the Texas District and County Attorneys Association, and the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association.

All entities receiving grant funds for judicial and court personnel training are directed to fully cooperate with and to provide all requested information to the Study Committee.

The Study Committee is directed to obtain information on other states' and national judicial and court personnel education programs for the purpose of evaluating our programs and suggesting any possible improvements to this court.

To fund this special study adequately, each entity receiving a grant from the Supreme Court for judicial and court personnel education for fiscal year 1992 shall contribute two percent of each entity's total grant funds. The Supreme Court shall deduct the appropriate amount from each grant at the time of the award of grants for 1992.

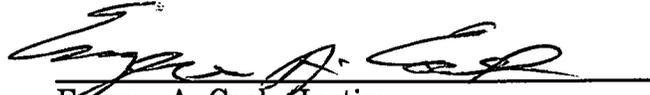
At the conclusion of the study, the Study Committee shall submit its report to the Supreme Court.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 9th day of September, 1991.


Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

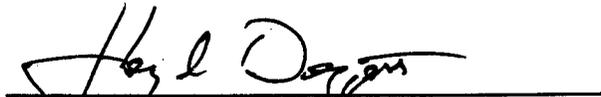

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