

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 22-003

ORDER PROPOSING AMENDMENT TO TEXAS RULE OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE 9.4

ORDERED that:

1. Pursuant to section 22.108 of the Texas Government Code, the Court of Criminal Appeals proposes the following amendment to Rule 9.4 of the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure.
2. This amendment may be changed in response to public comments received before June 1, 2022. Any person may submit written comments to the Court of Criminal Appeals at txccarulescomments@txcourts.gov or by mail to the Clerk of the Court of Criminal Appeals at P.O. Box 12308, Austin, Texas 78711.
3. 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*.

Dated: April 5, 2022.

Sharon Keller

Sharon Keller, Presiding Judge

Barbara Hervey

Barbara Hervey, Judge

Bert Richardson

Bert Richardson, Judge

Kevin Patrick Yeary

Kevin P. Yeary, Judge

David Newell, Judge

Mary Lou Keel

Mary Lou Keel, Judge

Scott Walker

Scott Walker, Judge

Michelle M. Slaughter, Judge

Jesse McClure III

Jesse McClure, Judge

Rule 9. Documents Generally

9.4. Form

(i) *Length.*

(2) Maximum Length. The documents listed below must not exceed the following limits:

(A) A brief and response in a direct appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeals in a case in which the death penalty has been assessed, and a subsequent application for a writ of habeas corpus filed pursuant to Article 11.071, Code of Criminal Procedure: 37,500 words if computer-generated, and 125 pages if not.