# IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 22-004

# FINAL APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO TEXAS RULE OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE 9.4

#### **ORDERED** that:

- 1. On April 5, 2022, the Court of Criminal Appeals (in Misc. Docket No. 22-003) preliminarily approved an amendment to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.4 and invited public comment.
- 2. Following public comment, the Court of Criminal Appeals made no change to the amendment. This order contains the final version of the rule, effective August 1, 2022.
- 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: July 20, 2022

Shanon Keller

Sharon Keller, Presiding Judge

Barbara P. Hervey, Judge

Bert Richardson, Judge

Kevin P. Yeary, Judge

David Newell, Judge

Lou Keel, Judge Ν Scott Walker, Judge

Michelle M. Slaughter, Judge

Jesse F. McClure, Judge

## **Rule 9. Documents Generally**

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### 9.4. Form

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(i) *Length*.

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(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.