

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 07-9033

INTERIM PROCEDURES GOVERNING VIDEO RECORDING AND WEBCASTING OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

ORDERED that:

To test whether and how a video recording of proceedings before the Supreme Court of Texas should be produced and made available on the Internet, the following interim procedures are adopted:

1. *All Proceedings to be Recorded.* Except as ordered by the Court on motion as provided herein or on its own initiative, a video recording of all oral arguments and other public proceedings of the Supreme Court of Texas will be produced and made available on the Internet at the website of the Saint Mary's University School of Law, <http://www.stmarytx.edu/law/>, linked through the Court's website, <http://www.supreme.courts.state.tx.us/>, as technical operations allow.

2. *Motion for Exemption.* A party or other interested person may move the Court to exempt a particular proceeding from video recording or webcasting. The motion must be filed at least ten days before the scheduled date of the proceeding and served on all parties. The motion must state the scheduled date and time of the proceeding and otherwise comply with Rule 10.1 of the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure.

3. *Response.* Any party or interested person may file a response to the motion. The response must be filed at least three days before the scheduled date of the proceeding and served on the movant and all parties.

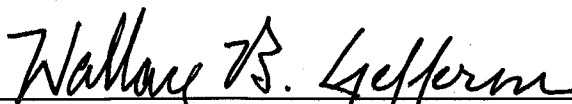
4. *Court May Shorten Times.* The Court may, for good cause, shorten the time for filing a motion or response.

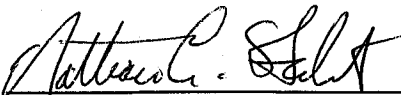
5. *Options If Motion Granted.* If the Court grants the motion, it may withhold or delay webcasting, produce only an audio recording, produce no recording, or take other appropriate measures to protect the parties' rights, preserve the dignity of the court, and ensure the orderly conduct of the proceedings.

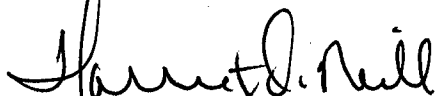
6. *Other Recording and Broadcasting.* A person may request to record or broadcast a proceeding in accordance with Rule 14 of the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure. Existing video, audio, and lighting systems should be used unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

The Clerk is directed to post a copy of this Order on the Court's internet website at www.courts.state.tx.us, 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*, and submit a copy of the Order for publication in the *Texas Register*.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 27th day of February, 2007.


Wallace B. Jefferson, Chief Justice


Nathan L. Hecht, Justice


Harriet O'Neill, Justice

J. Dale Wainwright, Justice


Scott Brister, Justice

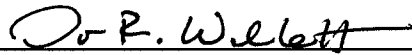
David M. Medina, Justice



Paul W. Green, Justice



Phil Johnson, Justice



Don R. Willett, Justice