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The Honorable John Cornyn, Attorney General Office of the Attorney General of Texas P. O. Box 12548 Austin, TX 78711-2548

RE: Request for Attorney General Opinion

Dear Attorney General Cornyn:

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Pursuant to Section 402.042 of the Texas Government Code, and in my capacity as administrative director of the State Office of Court Administration, I am writing to request an opinion on the same questions described by Chief Justice John Cayce in his letter to you dated August 31, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed. The facts, issues, and legal authority are as described in Chief Justice Cayce's letter to you, and I hereby incorporate his letter in its entirety and with its attachments into this request. I respectfully request your opinion on these questions. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

> Very truly yours, my Breeket

Jerry L. Benedict

Administrative Director

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