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OFFICERS ELECTED AT SECTION CONFERENCE

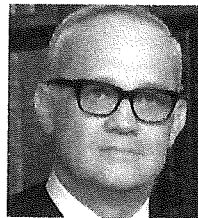
Members of the Judicial Section elected new officers and members of the Judicial Section Executive Committee during a business meeting at the annual Section Conference in Corpus Christi. Judge B. B. Schraub, 25th District Court judge and outgoing Section chairman presided over the meeting, held on the final day of the conference.

Elected at the meeting were Chairman Tom G. Davis, Court of Criminal Appeals judge; Chairman-Elect James F. Clawson, Jr., 169th District Court, Belton; and new executive committee members Hal M. Lattimore, 96th District Court, Fort Worth; Brunson Moore, 120th District Court, El Paso; and Peter S. Solito, 164th District Court, Houston.

Additional activities at the business meeting included the pas-



Outgoing Executive Committee members J. F. Clawson, Leonard Hoffman, and outgoing Judicial Section Chairman B. B. Schraub, l-r, were honored at the Section Conference for their service.



Tom G. Davis



J. F. Clawson, Jr.

sage of a resolution expressing gratitude to all those who helped make the conference a success, the delivery of executive committee reports, and the adoption of amendments to the By-Laws of the Judicial Section. The following amendments were adopted:

I.

Amend Section 1 to provide for the composition and selection of a Legislative Committee of nine members, rather than the present fifteen members as follows:

Section 1. There shall be a Legislative Committee composed of nine members. The Chairman of the section, on or before November 1st, shall appoint three members thereof to serve for a term of three years.

JUSTIFICATION: Since the membership of the Legislative Committee was increased to fifteen members two years ago, experience has proved that a nine-member committee is completely adequate for the committee undertakings, is more efficient in operation, and is less costly to the membership.

II.

Delete Section 3, the provision for a Continuing Legal Education Committee, in its entirety, and renumber Sections 4 and 5 as Sections 3 and 4, respectively.

JUSTIFICATION: Since the incorporation of the Texas Center for the

Judiciary, its Board of Directors has been charged with the formulation and execution of judicial education programs, the former responsibility of the eleven-member Continuing Legal Education Committee. Consequently, the CLE Committee now is a non-functioning, purposeless body, and its continuation is useless. The deletion does not disturb the Executive Committee's continuing power, by virtue of Section 5 (to be renumbered Section 4) of Article IV, to appoint any committee necessary to carry on the work of the section.

Judges present at the business meeting also agreed upon El Paso as the site for the 1982 Section Conference. Dates for the conference will be September 28-October 1, 1982.

Immediately following adjournment of the 1981 Section Conference, the Board of Directors of the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. met to approve new officers and members of the board. Tom G. Davis will serve a Chairman of the Board for 1981-82. Vice-Chairman is James F. Clawson, Jr., of Belton and Secretary-Treasurer is B. B. Schraub of Seguin.

New Texas Center Board members, who will serve a three-year term, are Justice Charles Barrow, Supreme Court of Texas, Austin; Justice Quentin Keith, Ninth Court of Appeals, Beaumont; and Judge Carol R. Haberman, 45th District Court, San Antonio.

QUENTIN KEITH NEW COLLEGE DIRECTOR

Ninth Court of Appeals Justice Quentin Keith of Beaumont has assumed duties as director of the annual Texas College of the Judiciary. Justice Keith, long active in judicial education, has served as Judicial Section Chairman, as a member and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors, Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc., and as a member of the Continuing Legal Education Committee. He replaces Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Tom G. Davis, who has given outstanding leadership over the past seven years.

The new College Director has scheduled the seventh session of the Texas College of the Judiciary for November 29-December 4 in Huntsville. Registration for the College will be from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, November 29, and a reception and dinner is scheduled for later that evening in the University Hotel Concourse. All educational work sessions will take

place at the Criminal Justice Center on the Sam Houston State University campus. Participants will be housed at the University Hotel in the Criminal Justice Center.

The week-long College is designed to orient new trial judges to court procedures. Presentations on both civil and criminal procedure will be delivered by a faculty of experienced Texas judges.

Speakers include Justice Quentin Keith, Austin; Justice Zollie Steakley, Austin; Justice Charles W. Barrow, Austin; Justice Ted Z. Robertson, Dallas; Judge Carl E. F. Dally, Austin; Judge Sam Houston Clinton, Austin; Chief Justice Bert H. Tunks, Houston; Judge Herman Jones, Austin; Judge James R. Meyers, Austin; Chief Justice Charles L. Reynolds, Amarillo; Chief Justice Curtiss Brown, Houston; Judge Larry Gist, Beaumont; Justice John T. Boyd,



Quentin Keith,
College Director

Amarillo; Judge Leon Douglas, Austin; Judge Thomas B. Thorpe, Dallas; Judge Thomas J. Stovall, Jr., Houston; Judge William N. Blanton, Jr., Houston; Justice James K. Allen, Dallas; Chief Justice William J. Cornelius, Texarkana; Judge Earl W. Smith, San Angelo; Judge Robert C. Wright, Lubbock; Justice Franklin Spears, Austin; Justice Jack Pope, Austin; Justice Quentin Keith, Beaumont; Judge B. B. Schraub, Seguin; Judge Max M. Rogers, Houston; Judge Tom G. Davis, Austin; and Honorable Jack H. Dillard, Austin.

JUDGES SAY "NO" TO MEDIA IN THE COURTROOM

Texas judges overwhelmingly turned down the concept of media in the courtroom at the annual Judicial Section Conference in Corpus Christi on October 2.

Of the 219 judges present for the vote, 137 indicated they were adamantly opposed to TV coverage in the courtroom under any circumstances, 45 were opposed to TV in the courtroom under the guidelines suggested by the State Bar Committee, 30 were not opposed to TV in the courtroom under guidelines suggested by the Committee, and 6 judges strongly favored TV coverage in the courtroom. One ballot was disqualified due to a voting error.

The judges heard presentations, saw a film, and received articles concerning the question of media in the courtroom before the vote was taken. On Wednesday morning, September 30, two out-of-state judges and an Austin

attorney addressed the pro and con issues of media coverage.

Speaking for media in the courtroom were two judges from states that recently lifted the ban on courtroom coverage — Justice (former Chief Justice) Ben Overton of the Supreme Court of Florida, and Chief Justice C. C. Torbert of the Alabama Supreme Court. The position against was presented by Hon. Roy Minton,

Judge David Herin, Judge William Hatten, Justice Bob Shannon, and Justice Bob Dickenson, l-r, listen to the Media in the Courtroom presentation.



criminal attorney from Austin.

Justice Overton told conference participants that although he was hesitant at first, Florida's experiment with media in the courtroom "has enhanced the court system of Florida, not hurt it." Chief Justice Torbert added his belief that "the media can give you, me, all of us, a better understanding of the courts and legal system."

Roy Minton, however, warned judges that "when you insert cameras into the courtroom, you add an ingredient of artificiality that you cannot get out."

In view of the judge's strong opposition to media in the courtroom, as expressed at the Section Conference, the Supreme Court voted the following week to leave Texas guidelines banning media coverage in the courtroom unchanged.

APPELLATE JUDGES RECEIVE OATH OF OFFICE



Governor Bill Clements, right, addresses the new appellate judges as Jack Dillard, left, and Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe Greenhill listen.

Twenty-three new appointees to Courts of Appeals throughout Texas were sworn in by Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe R. Greenhill September 1, 1981 at the Quality Inn Hotel, Austin.

Governor Bill Clements, who appointed the new justices in August, presented them to the Chief Justice for the administration of the oath of office.

Described by Greenhill as "the start of a new day for Texas justice," the ceremony marked the beginning of a notable expansion in the state's appellate system and hopefully a reduction in the backlog of criminal cases.

As the result of passage of S.B. 265 by the 67th legislature, the 14 courts of appeals will now have criminal as well as civil jurisdiction. Texas voters in 1980 authorized a constitutional change to allow for this modification in the judicial system. The legislation also provided for the addition of 28 new judges to appellate courts, 24 of whom were appointed in August by Governor Clements. Four new appellate judges will be added next year. Twenty-three of



Chief Justice Joe Greenhill, far left, administers the oath of office.

the new appellate court appointees were present for the swearing in ceremony.

The new justices of appellate courts were sworn in during the three-day Seminar for Justices of

Courts of Appeals, sponsored by the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. In attendance were some 85 Texas appellate judges. Planning committee members Justice Quentin Keith, Chairman, Beaumont; Judge Tom G. Davis, Austin; and Chief Justice Charles Reynolds, Amarillo; designed an outstanding program which provided the seminar participants an in-depth and organized overview of criminal law.

Comments expressed upon adjournment were complimentary of the seminar's topics, speakers, and overall effectiveness.

Justice William Ward, El Paso, said "I've been coming to conferences for 25 years and this [Criminal Procedure Seminar] is the most comprehensive of all study conferences I have ever attended."

Newly appointed Justice A. Joe Fish, Dallas, described the program as an "excellent introduction for someone with no background in criminal law."

Justice Raleigh Brown, Eastland, said the seminar was "very well organized and well done," and Chief Justice James W. Summers of Tyler added that the "information is bound to put us in good stead."

JUDGES TAPPED FOR NEW BOARD POSITIONS

Several Texas judges were recently appointed to two bodies dealing with the state's system of justice — the Criminal Justice Division Advisory Board and the Juvenile Probation Commission.

Appointed to the Criminal Justice Division Advisory Board in August were Chief Justice Joe Greenhill, Supreme Court of Texas and vice-chairman of the Advisory Board, Austin; Judges Barbara Culver, 318th District Court, Midland; Raul Longoria, 139th District Court, Edinburg; B. B. Schraub, 25th District Court Seguin; and J. Bradley Smith, 272nd District Court, Bryan. Chief Justice Greenhill and Judge Culver were appointed by Governor Clements. Judge Longoria was appointed by Lt. Governor Hobby and Judges Schraub and Smith received appointment from House Speaker Billy Clayton.

The 21 member Criminal Justice Division Advisory Board, reorganized under guidelines of last session's S.B. 127, reviews projects recommended for funding by the Criminal Justice Division staff and also matters

related to criminal justice as requested by the Governor.

Other members of the Board include Chairman Oamr Harvey, Dallas; James B. Adams, Director, Department of Public Safety, Austin; Dr. Jim Alexander, Professor, Texas Women's University, Denton; Father Fred Bomar, Austin; Harry Caldwell, Former Chief of Police, Houston; Charlie Campos, Jr., Constable, Bexar County; Hon. Arthur Eads, District Attorney, Belton; Chief Leonard Hancock, Temple Police Department, Temple; Hon. John B. Holmes, Jr., District Attorney, Harris County, Houston; Dr. John Q. Taylor King, President, Huston-Tillotson College, Austin; J. C. Ledbetter, Adult Probation Officer, Dallas; Travis McPherson, Sheriff, Deaf Smith County, Hereford; Richard Moya, Travis County Commissioner, Austin; Hon. Jimmy Phillips, Angleton; Ann Richards, Travis County Commissioner, Austin; and Henry Wade, District Attorney, Dallas County, Dallas.

In August, Governor Clements also ap-

pointed members of the Texas judiciary to the newly formed Juvenile Probation Commission. Judge Jerry Shackelford, family district court judge of Amarillo, was named chairman of the Commission. Also appointed were Judge Robert B. Baum, 314th District Court, Houston; William C. Martin, III, 307th District Court, Longview; and Houston Municipal Judge Carol H. Lane.

Non-judges on the Commission include Marshall W. Cooper, Whiteface; Todd McLain Hunt, Dallas; Stephen N. Smith, Hillsboro; Mrs. Clara Willoughby, San Angelo; and Jerell Stokes Reed, Jr., Winnaboro.

Created under passage of H.B. 1704, the Juvenile Probation Commission will formulate policies for juvenile probation, assist counties in implementing probation programs, and direct the allocation of juvenile probation funds to the counties.

At the Commission's first meeting on Oct. 2 in Austin, Jim Kester, Juvenile Program Specialist, Criminal Justice Division, was named acting director.

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JUDGE HOLDS JOB ON THE SIDELINE

Monday through Friday, 2nd Court of Appeals Justice Dixon Holman hears cases and renders decisions much the same as his colleagues on the appellate bench. But on weekends Justice Holman replaces his black robe with a black and white shirt to become judge of a different type court.

Holman, a recent appointee of the Fort Worth Court of Appeals, spends his weekends as a Southwest Conference football referee. His interest in the game goes back to his high school years.

"I played football in high school and had an opportunity to play at Texas Tech on a scholarship," Holman said.

He opted instead for the University of Texas, where he tried out for the Longhorn team. His playing career was short-lived, however, because of an injury. Not one to be discouraged, Holman "still had a great interest in football."

Fourteen years ago, he pursued his interest and signed up to be a hometown official.

As many football fans know, the road to becoming a Southwest Conference

official is not an easy one. There are approximately 4,000 members in Holman's area high school official's organization alone, compared to the mere 39 people chosen to participate as a Southwest Conference official.

Holman started at the "bottom of the ladder" with peewee football and worked his way up tediously by accumulating credits for each game refereed; a task that takes time and dedication.

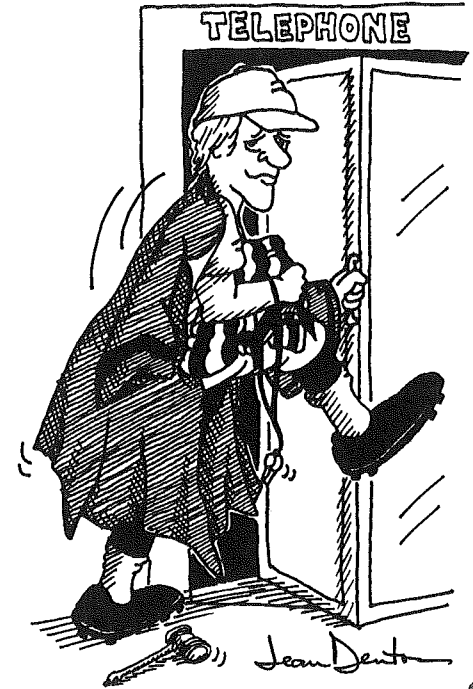
"I worked roughly 90 games a year the first two years I refereed," Holman said. In 1974, he had accumulated the necessary points and was selected to be a Southwest Conference referee.

Judge Holman says he has no problems with making the transition from the bench to the football field. He described the transition as "really an easy one — I put alot of energy into it [refereeing] and read the rule book most every night."

When asked about the similarities of being a judge and a referee, he noted that "you are dealing with a set of rules in both activities, and both involve a contest and making judgements."

Holman, who enjoys being a referee

for the athletic activity and the interesting people involved in the game, says he will continue to referee "as long as it doesn't interfere with my job as a judge."



★ NEW JUDGES ★

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CHARLES NAY NAMED ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Charles E. Nay joined the staff of the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. as Associate Director on July 1, 1981. Mr. Nay replaces William "Shack" Nail, who is now Director of the Texas Board of Dental Examiners.

Mr. Nay comes to the Texas Center with extensive knowledge of the Texas court system. He served in the position of Court Coordinator for Judge Dan E. Walton of the 178th District Court of Harris County, and as Court Administrator for Nueces County, serving the trial judges of that county. Prior to joining the



Charles E. Nay

Texas Center staff, he was Administrative Director of the Judicial Coordinating Committee, planning agency of the Supreme Court of Texas for the Texas judiciary.

Mr. Nay received his B.S. degree from Abilene Christian College, his M.A. degree in Management from Texas A&I, and is a Fellow of the Institute of Court Management.

Also new to the Texas Center is Ms. Carolyn Fellers. Ms. Fellers, a former employee of the Judicial Coordinating Committee, is the new Records Supervisor for the Center. Her duties include updating and maintaining the Center's judicial records and assisting in conference preparation.

TEXAS CENTER ACTIVITIES

In addition to the Seminar on Criminal Procedure for Appellate Judges August 30-September 2 in Austin, this fall the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. sponsored the Seventh Annual Briefing Attorney's Institute, September 10-11 in Austin and co-sponsored the Judicial Conference on the Ramifications of the New DWI Law and DWI Education, September 17-18 in Longview.

Traffic safety problems, profiles of drinking drivers, sentencing alternatives, and the role of judges in the system when dealing with DWI offenders were some of the topics covered at the DWI conference. The conference, the first judicial conference ever held on Texas DWI laws, was designed to stimulate ideas on how to deal with community needs in this area. Co-sponsors were the Texas Commission on Alcoholism, the Texas Safety Association, and the Traffic Safety Section of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

The Briefing Attorney's Institute in Austin was attended by some 95 briefing attorneys, the largest number ever to attend the annual meeting. The number of briefing attorneys in the state's appellate courts was increased this year with the addition of the new judges to the appellate court system.

ODE TO APPELLATE JUDGES

**By Charles Price
Justice, 14th Court of Appeals
Appellate Judges Seminar
Sept. 2, 1981**

Judges from all over the state from
where we've been
Appellate Judges' Criminal Law
Seminar meeting at the Quality
Inn.

Sponsored by the Texas Center for
the Judiciary, headed by Jack Dil-
lard, that good Baylor man
Tom Davis, Quentin Keith and
Charlie Reynolds, the committee
that did plan.

Reception, dinner including wives,
and take that photo
Preliminary for the following 3 days
to overview the Criminal law field
in toto.

Meeting old and new friends, but the
purpose is study
Criminal Law Jurisdiction attaches
to Courts of Appeal on Sept. 1st
old buddy.

A thick notebook and learned dis-
sertations by speakers of note
Going over the printed articles they
previously wrote.

Then on Tuesday, 24 new Justices
sworn in, a historic day
Sworn by Chief Justice Geenhill and
Governor Clements also ap-
peared to have a say.

Lunches furnished each day of good
food pecuniary

I suppose it was just a slip when Jack
Dillard said welcome to the
Seminary.

Our thanks to Jack Dillard and
Charlie Nay and Staff for the ar-
rangements easy flow

Can you believe Dick Countiss said
neither he nor his children did or
will to Baylor go?

Tom Davis said those club rules are
to tell no joke before its time
But please excuse the review of
these days I've written in rhyme.

Roy Rawls says "windy opinions"
may not be a dignified term
But they are necessary to keep the
docket moving and firm.

Some audience questions to Roy
Rawls about those backlog cases
sent what's the name of that tune
and song?

Already screened and no windy opi-
nions, but let's move right along.

Now the last meal, this Mexican
lunch

Check out by 2:00 was the an-
nouncement to the bunch.

But it wasn't enough that Dick
Countiss refuses to join the
Bruin's lair

Charlie Reynolds even called on him
to make the luncheon prayer.

So the Seminar is almost over, but a
new dawn's about to start
And our thanks again for this meet-
ing to all who had a part.

William J. Fanning — William J. Fanning, retired associate justice of the Sixth Court of Appeals in Texas, died May 2, 1981 at the age of 76.

Fanning received his law degree in 1929 from Cumberland University. He served as Hopkins county attorney from 1935 to 1939 and as Assistant Attorney General under Gerald Mann from 1939 to 1943.

In 1954, he was appointed to the Sixth Court of Civil Appeals by Governor Alan Shivers. Judge Fanning served on this court until his retirement from the bench in 1971.

The Texas State Bar honored Judge Fanning in 1979 for 50 years of dedicated service to the legal profession.

A. J. Folley — A. J. Folley, former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas, died May 10, 1981 at a hospital in Amarillo. He was 84.

Folley, whose legal career spanned some 56 years, served at virtually every level of the state's legal system.

JUDICIAL CALENDAR

November 29-December 4, 1981

Texas College of the Judiciary
Huntsville

February 26-28, 1982

Second Administrative Judicial District
Conference
Huntsville

March 10-12, 1982

West Texas Conference
Odessa

March 24-26, 1982

South Texas Mid-Winter Conference,
Seguin

May 5-7, 1982

Criminal Justice Conference
Huntsville

Spring, 1982

Third Administrative Judicial District
Conference
Northeast Texas Judicial District
Conference

Fall, 1982

September 28-October 1, 1982

Annual Judicial Section Conference, El
Paso

Memorials

Judge Folley received a law degree from Baylor Law School in 1925 and moved to Floydada to practice law. While in Floydada, he served as district attorney and later as district judge of the 110th Judicial District.

In 1937, Judge Folley was appointed to the Seventh Court of Civil Appeals and in 1945 he was elected to the Supreme Court. He resigned from the Supreme Court in 1949 and returned to Amarillo to enter private law practice.

Judge Folley was elected president of the State Bar of Texas in 1958. He maintained an active interest in local, state, and national law until his death.

Jack Lankford — Judge Jack Lankford, County Court at Law Judge from Corpus Christi, died of an apparent heart attack July 17, 1981. He was 43.

Judge Lankford received a law degree from the University of Texas in 1967. He was staff attorney for the Nueces County Legal Aid Society and later took up private practice in Corpus Christi. Judge Lankford was elected Judge of County Court at Law No. 3, Corpus Christi, in 1978.

Robert W. Hamilton — Former Supreme Court Judge Robert Hamilton, 82, died of an apparent

heart attack at his home in Tyler August 9, 1981.

Hamilton began practicing law in Tyler in 1927 and later served as Martin county attorney and district attorney for the 70th Judicial District, Odessa.

In 1950, Hamilton became district judge for the 70th Judicial District and in 1953 he was appointed chief justice of the Eighth Court of Civil Appeals in El Paso.

Judge Hamilton was elected associate justice of the Supreme Court of Texas in 1958 and served on that court until his retirement in 1970.

Robert G. Hughes — Robert G. Hughes, 81, a former Third Court of Appeals judge, died in Houston August 10, 1981 after suffering a stroke.

Judge Hughes was elected to the 3rd Court of Civil Appeals, Austin, in 1946. He served 24 years as an appellate judge before his retirement in 1970.

After receiving a law degree from the University of Texas in 1926, Judge Hughes moved to San Angelo where he practiced law for 20 years. In San Angelo, Hughes held the position of city and later district attorney.

Artist Featured

Featured in this month's *In Chambers* is the work of cartoon artist Jean Denton. Mrs. Denton is the sports cartoonist for the *Austin American Statesman*. Her previous experience includes a job as sports writer for the *Amarillo Globe News*. Mrs. Denton's father-in-law is Justice James G. Denton of the Texas Supreme Court.

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