

## **FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE JUDICIAL REGION OF TEXAS**

### **List of Attorneys Qualified to Represent Indigent Defendants in Death Penalty Cases Updated February 2026**

Pursuant to Article 26.052 of the Tex.as Code of Criminal Procedure, the following attorneys have been approved by the Local Selection Committee for appointment to death penalty cases in the First Administrative Judicial Region:

| <b>Attorney Name</b>  | <b>Primary Office Address</b>                             | <b>Contact Number</b> | <b>Qualified Chair(s)</b> | <b>Counties</b>                                                                                                |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Catherine Bernhard    | PO Box 506<br>Seagoville, Texas 75159                     | (972) 294-7262        | First, Second, Appellate  | All Counties in the Region                                                                                     |
| Sean Daredia          | 2627 Lombardy Lane<br>Dallas, Texas 75220                 | (817) 936-3167        | Second                    | Collin, Dallas                                                                                                 |
| Dennis D. Davis       | 2900 Lee Street, Suite 102<br>Greenville, Texas 75401     | (903) 454-6050        | First, Second             | Delta, Fannin, Hopkins, Hunt, Kaufman, Rockwall                                                                |
| Richard Franklin      | 2150 S. Central Expressway, #200<br>McKinney, Texas 75070 | (214) 695-3507        | First, Second             | All Counties in the Region                                                                                     |
| Barry Keith Gore, Jr. | 2301 Virginia Parkway<br>McKinney, Texas 75071            | (972) 529-2220        | First, Second             | All Counties in the Region                                                                                     |
| Steven Green          | 217 N Palestine Street<br>Ste. B-C, Athens, Texas 75751   | (903) 675-1802        | Second                    | All Counties in the Region                                                                                     |
| Jeffrey Haas          | 100 East Ferguson, Suite 908<br>Tyler, Texas 75702        | (903) 593-8338        | First, Second Appellate   | All Counties in the Region, except Dallas (as trial counsel); AU Counties in the Region (as appellate counsel) |

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| Heath Glen Harris    | 1910 Pacific Avenue, Suite 15100<br>Dallas, Texas 75201      | (214) 742-0708                   | First, Second             | Dallas                        |
| Phillip Hayes        | 3300 Oak Lawn Avenue, Suite 600<br>Dallas, Texas 75219       | (214) 774-0488                   | First, Second             | All Counties in the Region    |
| Paul Johnson         | 900 Jackson Street, Suite 650<br>Dallas, Texas 75202         | (214) 761-0707                   | First, Second             | All Counties in the Region    |
| Edwin V. King        | 2780 Virginia Parkway<br>McKinney, Texas 75071               | (214) 704-7332<br>(214) 871-8800 | First, Second             | Collin, Dallas, Rockwall      |
| Karen Lambert        | 6060 N. Central Expressway, Suite 500<br>Dallas, Texas 75206 | (214) 908-5200                   | Second                    | All Counties in the Region    |
| Michael Mowla        | PO Box 868<br>Cedar Hill, Texas 75106                        | (972) 795-2401                   | Appellate                 | All Counties in the Region    |
| Mitchell Nolte       | 2780 Virginia Parkway, Ste. 401<br>McKinney, Texas 75071     | (972) 562-0266                   | First, Second             | Collin, Dallas, Grayson, Hunt |
| Lalon C. Peale       | 6116 N. Central Expressway Suite 605<br>Dallas, Texas 75206  | (214) 969-1937                   | First, Second             | All Counties in the Region    |

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| Thea Posel           | 727 E. Dean Keeton<br>Austin, Texas 78705                       | (360) 305-2641        | Lead Appellate            | All Counties in the Region |
| Reed Prospere        | 8111Preston Road #550<br>Dallas, Texas 75225                    | (214) 750-8555        | First, Second             | All Counties in the Region |
| Juan Carlos Sanchez  | 1825 Market Center Boulevard, Suite 360<br>Dallas, Tex.as 75207 | (214) 365-0700        | First, Second             | Collin, Dallas             |
| Gary Smart           | 4214 Little Road, Suite 2000<br>Arlington, Texas 76016          | (214) 244-6600        | First                     | Ellis                      |
| Gretchen Sween       | 712 Upson Street<br>Austin, Texas 78763-5083                    | (214) 557-5779        | Lead Appellate            | All Counties in the Region |
| Clay Thomas          | 15244 West State Hwy. 21<br>Douglass, Texas 75943               | (936) 715-7144        | Second                    | All Counties in the Region |
| Janet Traylor        | 215 W. Franklin Street, Suite 300<br>Waxahachie, Texas 75165    | (214) 903-7654        | Second                    | All Counties in the Region |
| Kobby T. Warren      | 1910 Pacific Avenue, Suite 10500<br>Dallas, Texas 75201         | (214) 999-9499        | Second                    | Dallas                     |
| Jacob Zachariah      | 1130 North Westmoreland Road<br>Desoto, Texas 75115             | (214) 702-1341        | Second                    | All Counties in the Region |