Supreme Court of Texas

Misc. Docket No. 24-9044

Preliminary Approval of Amendments to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 194

ORDERED that:

- 1. The Court invites public comments on proposed amendments to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 194.
- 2. Comments regarding the proposed amendments should be submitted in writing to <u>rulescomments@txcourts.gov</u> by November 1, 2024.
- 3. The Court will issue an order finalizing the amendments after the close of the comment period. The Court may change the amendments in response to public comments. The Court expects the amendments to take effect on December 1, 2024.
- 4. 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 this Order for publication in the *Texas Register*.

Dated: July 22, 2024.

Nathan L. Hecht, Chief Justice

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Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice

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TEXAS RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

RULE 194. REQUIRED DISCLOSURES IN SUITS NOT GOVERNED BY THE FAMILY CODE

194.4 Pretrial Disclosures.

- (a) **In General.** In addition to the disclosures required by Rule 194.2 and 194.3, a party must provide to the other parties and promptly file the following information about the evidence that it may present at trial other than solely for impeachment:
 - (1) the name and, if not previously provided, the address, and telephone number of each witness-separately identifying those the party expects to present and those it may call if the need arises; and
 - (2) an identification of a list identifying each document or other exhibits, including summaries of other evidence–separately identifying those items the party expects to offer and those it may offer if the need arises.
- (b) **Time for Pretrial Disclosures.** Unless the court orders otherwise, these disclosures must be made at least 30 days before trial.
