



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF COUNTY ELECTION
JUDGES AND ALTERNATE ELECTION JUDGES**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the appointments of Presiding Election Judges and Alternate Election Judges for the term ending on July 31, 2025.

BACKGROUND

The County Chairs of the political parties submitted a list to the Elections Office of persons who are eligible for appointment as Presiding or Alternate Judges. The Presiding Judges and Alternate Judges must be affiliated or aligned with different political parties (TEC Sec. 32.001-32.002).

To be eligible to serve as a clerk of an election precinct, a person must be a qualified voter. Presiding and Alternate Judges for countywide polling places are not required to be qualified voters of any particular election precinct but must be qualified voters of the county. Additionally, a Presiding or Alternate Judge for a countywide polling place does not have to reside in the election precinct where the countywide polling place is located. The Commissioners Court must allocate the number of judges for countywide polling places in direct proportion to the percentage of election precincts located in each county commissioner's precinct won by each party in the last gubernatorial election (32.002(c-1)).

A county chair may supplement the list of names for election judges until the 20th day before a general election, or the 15th day before a special election, in case an appointed judge becomes unable to serve.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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