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The Hon. Kyle Hawthorne, Judge 85<sup>th</sup> District Court
Brazos County Courthouse
300 E. 26th Street
Bryan, Texas 77803

Via email attachment and facsimile

Re: Request for Judicial Records

Judge Hawthorne:

As permitted by Rule 12 of the Texas Rules of Judicial Administration, I request the opportunity to view the following records:

- (1) All emails (including attachments) sent from or received by *khawthorne@bruchez.com* (or any other email account at bruchez.com that is under your control) since you took office as 85<sup>th</sup> District Judge.
- (2) All private communications (including attachments) that you have exchanged with Karl Hoppess, Jay Goss and/or any partner or employee of Bruchez, Goss, Thornton, Meronoff & Briers, P.C. regarding any court matter since you took office as 85<sup>th</sup> District Judge. The term "private communications" includes emails, texts, or other electronic messaging, *i.e.*, communications other than those sent through official channels such as electronic filing or your official government email address.
- (3) Documents reflecting any other private email accounts that you have used to conduct court business, as well as any emails to or from those accounts that pertains to court business. The term "private email accounts" includes any email account other than your official government email address. The term "court business" includes communications about any matter pending in your court.

By copy of this letter to the partners at Bruchez, Goss, Thornton, Meronoff & Briers, P.C., I demand the preservation of all emails sent to or from *khawthorne@bruchez.com* or any other account belonging to Judge Hawthorne since he took office as 85<sup>th</sup> District Judge. I further demand the preservation of any hardware (*e.g.*, computer server) storing any of the foregoing information, as I expect this evidence will be relevant to forthcoming litigation against your firm.

If possible, I prefer to receive the foregoing information in electronic form. For the record, I am sending this letter entirely on my own initiative. Neither Bill Youngkin nor anyone else knew that I would be sending it.

Thank you in advance for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

Ty Clevenger

cc: Mr. Jay B. Goss

Mr. Karl Hoppess

Mr. Ernest V. Bruchez

Mr. William S. Thornton, Jr.

Ms. Patricia E. Meronoff

Mr. Joseph N. Briers