

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

GENERAL ORDER ASSIGNING CIVIL AND CRIMINAL ACTIONS

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 137 and the agreement of the judges affected hereby, it is ORDERED that, effective Tuesday, January 21, 1997, all civil and criminal actions which are filed shall be assigned to the individual judges of this district in the proportions listed below:

<b>JUDGE</b>	<b>CASELOAD</b>
CHIEF JUDGE RICHARD A. SCHELL	1/4 BEAUMONT + 1/4 SHERMAN CRIMINAL + 100% PARIS
JUDGE WILLIAM WAYNE JUSTICE	35% TYLER CIVIL + 1/3 TYLER CRIMINAL + 30% MARSHALL
JUDGE HOWELL COBB	1/4 BEAUMONT + 1/4 SHERMAN CRIMINAL + 20% MARSHALL
JUDGE PAUL BROWN	100% SHERMAN CIVIL + 1/2 SHERMAN CRIMINAL
JUDGE JOHN HANNAH, JR.	1/4 TYLER CIVIL + 1/3 TYLER CRIMINAL + 2/3 LUFKIN
JUDGE DAVID FOLSOM	90% TEXARKANA + 40% MARSHALL
JUDGE J. THAD HEARTFIELD	1/4 BEAUMONT + 1/3 LUFKIN
SENIOR JUDGE JOE J. FISHER	1/4 BEAUMONT + 10% TEXARKANA + 10% MARSHALL
SENIOR JUDGE WILLIAM M. STEGER	40% TYLER CIVIL + 1/3 TYLER CRIMINAL

This order supersedes all previous general orders assigning civil and criminal actions. It is further ORDERED that any cases reopened on or after January 21, 1997 shall be reopened to the docket of the judge to whom the case was assigned at the time of closing.

Signed this 17th day of January, 1997.

FOR THE COURT:

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RICHARD A. SCHELL  
CHIEF JUDGE