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Houston Bar Association Releases Results of 2012 Judicial Candidate Qualification Questionnaire

(HOUSTON – May 7, 2012) The Houston Bar Association (HBA) today released the results of its 2012 Judicial Candidate Qualification Questionnaire. **The results are posted on the HBA Web site, www.hba.org.**

The Judicial Candidate Qualification Questionnaire is not an endorsement by the Houston Bar Association.*

Before the primary in each election year, the HBA asks its members to indicate whether they feel each judicial candidate is qualified, well qualified or not qualified. Races in which there is only one candidate are not included. The 2012 Judicial Candidate Qualification Questionnaire includes races for the Supreme Court of Texas, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Houston Courts of Appeals, Harris County District Courts, Harris County Civil Courts at Law, Justice of the Peace Courts, Harris County Attorney and Harris County District Attorney. There were 11,102 questionnaires mailed out to HBA members, with 1,720 members returning questionnaires, or a return rate of 15.5 percent.

Believing that an informed electorate is vital to the efficient administration of justice, the Houston Bar Association has conducted judicial polls since the early 1970s.

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