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**TO:** Judge Curtis Parrish; Commissioner Terence Kovar, Precinct 1; Commissioner Jason Corley, Precinct 2; Commissioner Gilbert Flores, Precinct 3; Commissioner Chad Seay, Precinct 4

**FROM:** D. Gene Valentini, Director

**DATE:** July 5, 2022

**RE:** 07-11-2022 Agenda Item: Application for Grant Funds Texas Bar Foundation

We discussed Supervised Visitation services during the budget hearing and now have an opportunity to begin expanding how we assist parents. The plan is to involve Texas Tech University Vice Provost, Dr. Elizabeth Trejos-Castillo, and her students/colleagues. They will observe selected high-conflict parents to develop parenting plans and accessible resources. If funded, the Texas Bar Foundation grant would provide graduate students and faculty stipends for observing a parent's interaction with their child or children. Our application, for \$15,000, is for observation time only and does not include any salary compensation for County or Texas Tech personnel.