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2020 Texas Election Results: Which Judges Stay and Which Will Go? Voters Have Spoken

Election results across Texas are in, showing who's set to serve on judicial benches across the Lone Star State. Check the winners and losers here.

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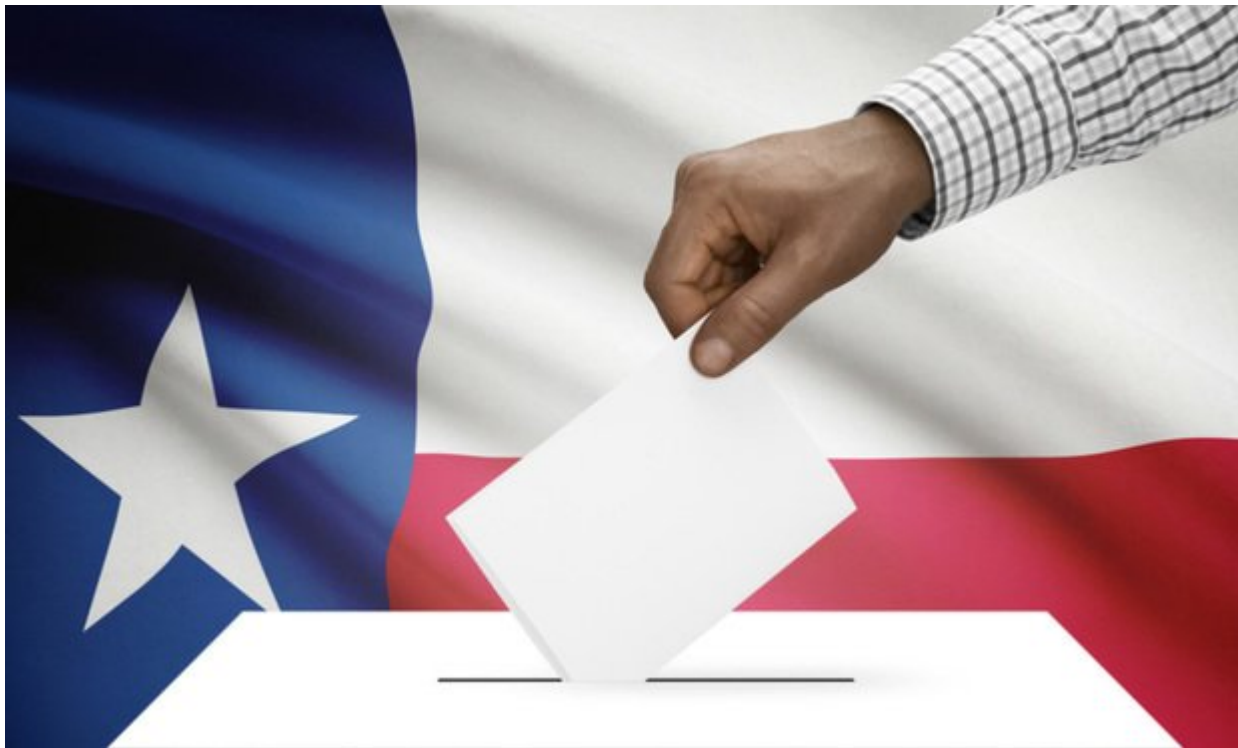


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Voters in the Lone Star State have spoken up about who they want representing them in the Texas judiciary.

It means some judges are off the bench, as voters picked their challengers on Election Day. Other incumbent judges will serve another term.

Read more details in the articles below about vote totals in specific races for contested judicial benches across the Lone Star State.



Top row, L-R, Nathan Hecht, Jane Bland, Jeff Boyd and Brett Busby. Bottom row, L-R, Kevin Patrick Yeary, Bert Richardson and David Newell. Courtesy photos

Texas Republican High Court Jurists in the Lead for Reelection, With Votes Still Being Counted **(<https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/2020/11/04/texas-republican-high-court-jurists-in-the-lead-for-reelection-with-votes-still-being-counted/>)**

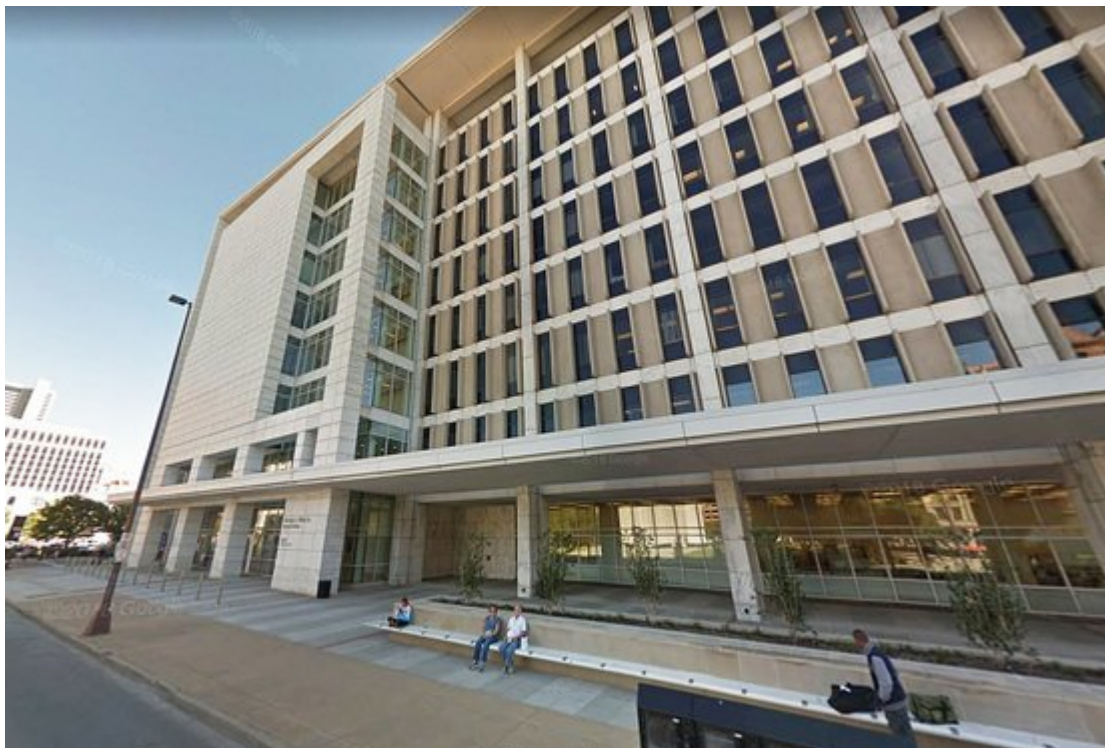
Votes are still being counted, but it appears that voters have given another term to all of the Republican incumbent judges and justices on Texas' two high courts.



Harris County Civil Courthouse, 201 Caroline. Courtesy photo

Democrats Sweep Harris, Fort Bend State District Judge Races: Texas 2020 Election Results **(<https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/2020/11/04/democrats-sweep-harris-fort-bend-state-district-judge-races-texas-2020-election-results/>)**

Democratic incumbents and candidates swept contested state district court judicial races in Harris County in Tuesday's election, but the story is in Fort Bend County, where four Democratic challengers knocked Republican incumbents off the bench, according to unofficial election results.



The Court of Appeals for the Fifth District of Texas at Dallas, 600 Commerce St. No. 200, Dallas, Texas, 75202

Winners and Losers: See the Results of Elections for Judgeships in Dallas-Fort Worth 2020 Election **(<https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/2020/11/04/winners-and-losers-see-the-results-of-elections-for-judgeships-in-dallas-fort-worth-2020-election/>)**

The big takeaway for North Texans in this election is Dallas County remains reliably Democrat, while being surrounded by the very Republican Tarrant and Collin counties.



L-R Jeff Rose and David Junkin, Republicans, lost their bids for reelection. Courtesy photos

3 Incumbent Republicans Ousted as Austin-Area Voters Pick Democrat Judges **(<https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/2020/11/04/3-incumbent-republicans-ousted-as-austin-area-voters-pick-democrat-judges/>)**

Austin's Third Court of Appeals will get a new chief justice as Central Texas voters handed Democratic challenger Darlene Byrne a victory in her attempt to unseat incumbent chief Jeff Rose. Two other judges in the Austin area were unseated by Democrats.



Top row L-R Rebeca Martinez, Nicole Garza and Michael Mery. Bottom row L-R Jacqueline Valdez, Frank Castro and Tina Torres. Courtesy photos

All Democrats Rise to the Bench in San Antonio Judge Elections: 2020 Texas Results **(<https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/2020/11/04/all-democrats-rise-to-the-bench-in-san-antonio-judge-elections-2020-texas-results/>)**

All Democrats. That's what San Antonio-area voters wanted for their appellate and district court benches this election cycle. That means Democratic candidate Rebeca Martinez will be the next chief justice of the Fourth Court of Appeals.



Jeff Alley, left, and Ysmael Fonseca, right, are two incumbent jurists who lost their reelections. Courtesy photos

Texas Election Results: Here's Who Won Judgeships in Small and Mid-sized Cities and Counties **(<https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/2020/11/04/texas-election-results-heres-who-won-judgeships-in-small-and-mid-sized-cities-and-counties/>)**

With exceptions in El Paso, Hidalgo and Nueces counties, the Republican judge candidates in contested races have won their elections in the Texas cities and counties that are outside of the state's five major metro areas.

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