

# THE GOVERNOR

As required by Government Code, §2002.011(4), the *Texas Register* publishes executive orders issued by the Governor of Texas. Appointments and proclamations are also published. Appointments are published in chronological order. Additional information on documents submitted for publication by the Governor's Office can be obtained by calling (512) 463-1828.

## Appointments

### Appointments for December 18, 2025

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2027, Natalie Bachynsky, Ph.D. of Lovelady, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2027, Sidney C. "Sid" Miller of Stephenville, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2027, Ann M. Shippy, M.D. of Austin, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2029, Jaclyn Lewis Albin, M.D. of Bedford, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2029, Kathleen E. Davis, Ph.D. of Denton, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2029, Padmaja M. Patel, M.D. of Midland, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Nutrition Advisory Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2029, Cheryl Sew Hoy of Austin, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority Board of Directors for a term to expire January 1, 2026, Zachary A. "Zach" Davis of Decatur, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority Board of Directors for a term to expire January 1, 2027, Nelda L. Barrera of McAllen, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority Board of Directors for a term to expire January 1, 2027, Russell S. "Scott" Frazier of Chapman Ranch, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority Board of Directors for a term to expire January 1, 2027, Colby T. McClendon of Lavon, Texas.

### Appointments for December 19, 2025

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Heather A. Bellino of Austin, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Jia M. Benno of Austin, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Megan M. Bermea of Cedar Park, Texas.

Appointed as the Presiding Officer to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Hillary A. England of Pflugerville, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Allison C. Garcia of Round Rock, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Mariah L. Gardner of Converse, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, John S. "Staley" Heatly of Vernon, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Kathryn R. Jacob of Waxahachie, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Julie G. Kinser of Amarillo, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Kevin F. Lawrence of Pflugerville, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Daisy L. Lopez of Brownsville, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Heather G. Mahaffey of Denison, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Michael W. "Mike" McNutt, Jr. of Round Rock, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Jarvis J. Parsons of Bryan, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, April R. Propst of Abilene, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Oluwaseun H. "Hannah" Rahaman of Katy, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Michelle K. Shields of Amarillo, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Raymond C. "Chris" Smyth of Round Rock, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Gloria Aguilera Terry of Buda, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Leila G.A. Wood, Ph.D. of Austin, Texas.

Appointed to the Family Violence Criminal Homicide Prevention Task Force for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Jamie R. Wright of Houston, Texas.

Appointed as the Student Regent for Texas Woman's University Board of Regents for a term to expire May 31, 2026, David Jennings of Sanger, Texas. (replacing Alyssa R. Flores of Fort Worth who no longer qualifies).

Appointed to the Sabine River Authority of Texas Board of Directors for a term to expire July 6, 2027, Kevin M. Williams of Orange, Texas.

Appointed to the Sabine River Authority of Texas Board of Directors for a term to expire July 6, 2029, Richard B. "Blair" Abney of Marshall, Texas.

Appointed to the Sabine River Authority of Texas Board of Directors for a term to expire July 6, 2029, Joshua A. "Josh" McAdams of Center, Texas.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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Proclamation 41-4250

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

WHEREAS, Maria Del Refugio Argote, D.O.B. July 04, 1985, was sentenced in the County Court in Wharton County on April 09, 2003, to probation, a \$200.00 fine, and ordered to pay restitution for the offense of Burglary of a Motor Vehicle, Cause No. 48131; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recommended a Full Pardon and Restoration of Full Civil Rights of Citizenship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, and acting upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, do hereby grant unto the said:

**MARIA DEL REFUGIO ARGOTE**

A FULL PARDON AND RESTORATION OF FULL CIVIL RIGHTS OF CITIZENSHIP THAT MAY HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF HER CONVICTION OF THE OFFENSE ABOVE SET OUT IN A COURT IN CAUSE NO. 48131, IN WHARTON COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HEREBY DIRECT that a copy of this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereon, this the 19th day of December, 2025.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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Proclamation 41-4251

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

WHEREAS, Tasha LaShay Castaneda, D.O.B. May 27, 1983, was sentenced in the County Court in Hockley County on September 15, 2004, to probation, a \$100 fine, and ordered to pay restitution for the offense of Theft By Check, Cause No. 36019; and was sentenced in the County Court in Hockley County on February 04, 2010, to a \$100 fine and ordered to pay restitution for the offense of The Lesser But Included Charge of Class C Theft By Check, Cause No. 37197; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recommended a Full Pardon and Restoration of Full Civil Rights of Citizenship

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, and acting upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, do hereby grant unto the said:

**TASHA LASHAY CASTANEDA**

A FULL PARDON AND RESTORATION OF FULL CIVIL RIGHTS OF CITIZENSHIP THAT MAY HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF HER CONVICTION OF THE OFFENSES ABOVE SET OUT IN A COURT IN CAUSE NO. 36019, IN HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS AND CAUSE NO. 37197, IN HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HEREBY DIRECT that a copy of this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereon, this the 19th day of December, 2025.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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Proclamation 41-4252

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

WHEREAS, Joshua Ryan Cochran, D.O.B. August 12, 1989, was sentenced in the County Court at Law No. 11 in Bexar County on March 19, 2008, to deferred adjudication probation and a \$250 fine for the offense of Poss Marihuana 0-2 oz, Cause No. 236238; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recommended a Full Pardon and Restoration of Full Civil Rights of Citizenship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, and acting upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, do hereby grant unto the said:

**JOSHUA RYAN COCHRAN**

A FULL PARDON AND RESTORATION OF FULL CIVIL RIGHTS OF CITIZENSHIP THAT MAY HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION OF THE OFFENSE ABOVE SET OUT IN A COURT IN CAUSE NO. 236238, IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HEREBY DIRECT that a copy of this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereon, this the 19th day of December, 2025.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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Proclamation 41-4253

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

WHEREAS, Jennifer Ann Drane, D.O.B. November 30, 1971, was sentenced in the County Court in Lee County on May 17, 1994, to a

\$25.00 fine and ordered to pay restitution for the offense of Theft By Check, Cause No. 12643; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recommended a Full Pardon and Restoration of Full Civil Rights of Citizenship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, and acting upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, do hereby grant unto the said:

**JENNIFER ANN DRANE**

A FULL PARDON AND RESTORATION OF FULL CIVIL RIGHTS OF CITIZENSHIP THAT MAY HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF HER CONVICTION OF THE OFFENSE ABOVE SET OUT IN A COURT IN CAUSE NO. 12643, IN LEE COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HEREBY DIRECT that a copy of this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereon, this the 19th day of December, 2025.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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Proclamation 41-4254

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

WHEREAS, Lucas John Flores, D.O.B. April 22, 1975, was sentenced in the County Court in Hardeman County on May 03, 2001, to deferred adjudication probation, a \$750.00 fine, and ordered to pay restitution for the offense of Deadly Conduct, Cause No. 012253; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recommended a Full Pardon and Restoration of Full Civil Rights of Citizenship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, and acting upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, do hereby grant unto the said:

**LUCAS JOHN FLORES**

A FULL PARDON AND RESTORATION OF FULL CIVIL RIGHTS OF CITIZENSHIP THAT MAY HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION OF THE OFFENSE ABOVE

SET OUT IN A COURT IN CAUSE NO. 012253, IN HARDEMAN COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HEREBY DIRECT that a copy of this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereon, this the 19th day of December, 2025.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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Proclamation 41-4255

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

WHEREAS, Mark Anthony Morales, D.O.B. August 09, 1989, was sentenced in the County Court at Law in Washington County on March 19, 2008, to deferred adjudication probation, a \$500.00 fine, and ordered to pay restitution for the offense of Criminal Mischief, Cause No. 08-247; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recommended a Full Pardon and Restoration of Full Civil Rights of Citizenship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, and acting upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, do hereby grant unto the said:

**MARK ANTHONY MORALES**

A FULL PARDON AND RESTORATION OF FULL CIVIL RIGHTS OF CITIZENSHIP THAT MAY HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION OF THE OFFENSE ABOVE SET OUT IN A COURT IN CAUSE NO. 08-247, IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HEREBY DIRECT that a copy of this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereon, this the 19th day of December, 2025.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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