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May 5, 2015 (Austin)--The Texas Civil Justice League today commended Governor Greg Abbott's appointment of Judge Debra Ibarra Mayfield to the 165th Judicial District Court in Harris County.

"Judge Mayfield's appointment to the 165th District Court bench demonstrates Governor Abbott's commitment to making outstanding judicial appointments," said John Fainter, Chairman of the TCJL Board of Directors. "Judge Mayfield is exceptionally well qualified and will serve the Texas judiciary with integrity and distinction. We are fortunate to have a public servant of Judge Mayfield's stature and experience in this critically important judicial office, and we commend the Governor for his deliberate and thoughtful approach to vetting judicial candidates."

A graduate of Texas A&M University and South Texas College of Law, Judge Mayfield currently serves as judge of the Harris County Civil Court at Law Number One and Administrative Judge of the Harris County Civil Courts. Prior to her elevation to the bench, she practiced trial and appellate law in Houston and served as a briefing attorney to the Fourteenth Court of Appeals. She has received numerous honors for public and community service and is active in both legal and charitable organizations.

"Judge Mayfield is dedicated to the rule of law and to the fair and impartial administration of justice," said Carol Sims, TCJL Executive Director. "We would like to thank Governor Abbott and his Appointments Office for making the best possible choice for this important bench."

Formed in 1986, the TCJL advocates a fair and efficient Texas civil justice system. The League has more than 5,000 business and individual members in Texas.

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