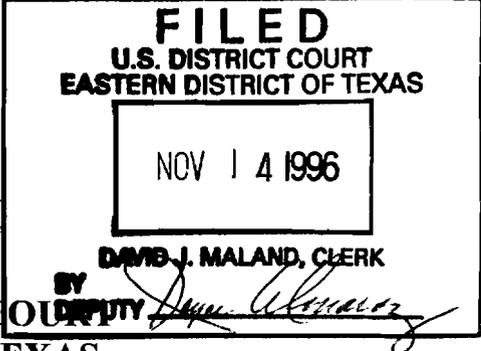


General Order 96-26



**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

GENERAL ORDER ASSIGNING CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SHERMAN DIVISION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §137 and the agreement of the judges, it is hereby ORDERED that the U. S. District Clerk shall begin randomly assigning all criminal cases filed in the Sherman Division on or after the 1st day of October, 1996, to the following individual judges of this district in the proportions listed below:

- Judge Paul Brown 50%
- Chief Judge Richard A. Schell 25%
- Judge Howell Cobb 25%

It is further **ORDERED** that any closed Sherman Division criminal cases previously assigned to Judge Paul Brown that are reopened on or after October 1, 1996, shall be reassigned to Judge Brown.

This order amends General Order 95-3 only as it applies to criminal case assignments in the Sherman Division.

**SIGNED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1996.

**FOR THE COURT:**

*Richard A. Schell*  
RICHARD A. SCHELL  
CHIEF JUDGE