

Recommended Advisors to the Supreme Court of Texas Children's Commission

Nov. 6, 2026 · Each person below is offered for the Collaborative Council, a committee workgroup, or a presentation, at the Commission's choice. Each is available to advise; none has been asked to commit on the Commission's behalf.

1. L. Brooks McKenzie, PhD (Experimental Psychology, developmental emphasis, Texas Christian University). Former Research Scientist and Assistant Director of Research at the TCU Institute of Child Development, which developed Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI); peer-reviewed work on attachment, adoption, and child welfare; presenter at the Texas Judicial Summit; qualified expert witness in courts across Texas and other states. Serves: Trauma Informed Care; Prevention; Data. Offers the treatise, the cost model, and guidance on validated attachment measures (Main & Goldwyn, 1985; Main, Goldwyn & Hesse, 2003; Waters, 1995 Attachment Q-Sort; Pederson & Moran, 1995) as one input alongside direct assessment of caregiving. Commercial attachment assessment and TBRI work disclosed; recommendations vendor-neutral.

2. William V. Fabricius, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychology, Arizona State University. Ten-year longitudinal research on parenting time and the security of the father-child relationship (correlational). Chaired the Arizona legislative advisory committee behind that state's 2010 and 2012 parenting-time bills; 2024 National Parents Organization lifetime award. Serves: Systems Improvement (placement and visitation); Parent Resources. Gives expert testimony; disclosed.

3. Anthony Brassil, National Parents Organization, Texas executive committee, Houston. Six years of meetings with legislators of both parties, the Governor's office, and Office of the Attorney General leadership on Texas family law; written House testimony on H.B. 2643 (2025). Serves: Parent Resources; Notice & Engagement.

4. National Parents Organization (founded 1998 as Fathers and Families). More than 25 years compiling research on shared parenting; publishes the Shared Parenting Report Card, a grading of state statutes (advocacy research, not an outcome study). Serves: Parent Resources.

5. Andrew C. Brown, J.D., Vice President of Policy, Texas Public Policy Foundation; member, Texas Commission on Marriage and Family. Serves: coordination between this Commission and the Marriage and Family Commission's report to the 90th Legislature.

6. Stuart McMullen and Cody Taylor, citizen parents named by Chair Carl Caton for the Texas Commission on Marriage and Family committees. Serve: Parent Resources; Youth Voice & Normalcy. Lived experience as parents inside the system.

Liaison: Rustin Wright, member, 50/50 Subcommittee of the Texas Commission on Marriage and Family.

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