

**UPDATE**

Thank you to everyone who submitted written testimony for Joel Baker's post-suspension hearing that was scheduled in Austin on Thursday, August 11 before the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

In case you missed it, suspended County Judge Joel P. Baker **withdrew his request** for a hearing; therefore, the suspension without pay remains in place.

To read about the canceled hearing, see this article <http://www.tylerpaper.com/TP-News+Local/239354/smith-county-judge-joel-baker-appeals-suspension-in-austin-thursday> .

To read the statement of support for the **continued suspension without pay** as submitted to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct by Grassroots America's Executive Director JoAnn Fleming, [click here](#).

Baker's arraignment "first appearance" hearing is scheduled for August 25, 2016. To read about the arraignment in a very interesting **Tyler Morning Telegraph** article, featuring Baker's own Open Records Request, click this link <http://www.tylerpaper.com/TP-News+Local/239213/judge-joel-baker-to-be-arraigned-in-late-august>. If you've ever spoken out against any of Baker's actions, you might find your name there!

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