

## Introduction to the 2025–2026 Edition

**Texas Practice Guide: Civil Pretrial** is a how-to guide for Texas practitioners concerning civil pretrial procedure. It includes step-by-step analysis of civil pretrial procedures, citations to leading and most recent case law, as well as easy-to-use forms, checklists, and practice tips.

New features and recent developments in this 2025–2026 Edition include discussing of the following:

- Updated discussion on amendments to the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct in “Initial Interview, Investigation, and Assessment of Case,” ch. 1.
- New § 2:28, Mootness and ripeness— Determination of mootness.
- New § 2:29, Mootness and ripeness— Determination of mootness—Exceptions.
- Updated discussion of amendments to the Texas Business Organizations Code relative to domestic filing entities in §§ 2:54, 2:55.
- New § 2:73, Capacity of particular parties— Business entities— Partnerships— Joint and several liability— Withdrawn partners.
- New § 4:60, Plea to the Jurisdiction— Burden— Cases involving governmental immunity.
- New § 6:39, Actions under the Texas Health Care Program Fraud Prevention Act.
- Updated discussion of specific jurisdiction in the context of the stream-of-commerce analysis in “Personal Jurisdiction and Special Appearances,” ch. 8.
- Updated discussion of principles related to mandamus jurisdiction in “Mandamus and Injunctions,” ch. 11.
- Updated discussion of amendments to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 201 in §§ 13:199-13:207.
- Updated discussion of principles related to no-evidence summary judgments in “Summary Judgment Practice,” ch. 14.
- Amendments to all pertinent rules throughout.
- Cases updated throughout.