



Office of Ellis County Judge Todd Little
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Staff Reports

“County Commissioners Appoint John Wray to Fill Judge Little’s Vacancy”

Ellis County, TX – In a special meeting held Tuesday, May 7th, Ellis County commissioners voted 4-0 to appoint former Representative John Wray (R-House District 10) to fill the County Judge seat beginning May 15th, when Judge Todd Little will vacate the position. Last month, Little was selected as the new Executive Director of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG). Wray will complete Little’s term through the election in November 2026.

Commissioners decided between eight candidates that were interviewed in an Executive Session of the Commissioners’ Court on May 7th. “I have been advised that since I will be working with the new Ellis County Judge through NCTCOG, it would be best for me to abstain from the vote,” said Little. “I trust that commissioners will choose the best candidate to complete my term.”

Commissioner Kyle Butler (Precinct 4) made the motion to appoint former Representative John Wray, and Commissioner Randy Stinson (Precinct 1) seconded. All four commissioners voted in support of Wray, with Judge Little abstaining.

“From the interviews, there’s one person that stands out, and that person is not going to re-run once his term is over, giving citizens a chance to decide for themselves in 2026,” said Stinson. “That person is John Wray.”

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Former Representative John Wray’s Official Texas House Portrait