

**Subchapter H. DISCOVERY PROCEDURES.**

**§22.145. Subpoenas.**

- (a) **Issuance.** Pursuant to APA, §2001.089, the presiding officer may issue a subpoena for the attendance of a witness or for the production of books, records, papers, or other objects. Motions for subpoenas to compel the production of books, records, papers, or other objects shall describe with reasonable particularity the objects desired and the material and relevant facts sought to be proved by them.
- (b) **Service and return.** A subpoena may be addressed to the sheriff or any constable, who may serve the subpoena in any manner authorized by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure; and service thereof may be accepted by any witness by a written memorandum, signed by such witness, attached to the subpoena, or by any other method authorized by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.
- (c) **Fees.** Subpoenas shall be issued by the presiding officer only after sums have been deposited to ensure payment of expense fees incident to the subpoenas. Payment of any such fees or expenses shall be made in the manner prescribed in APA, §2001.089 and §2001.103.
- (d) **Motions to quash.** Motions to quash subpoenas shall be filed at least three working days before the date the witness is ordered to appear or the documents or other objects are ordered to be produced, unless the party ordered to respond to the subpoena shows that it was justifiably unable to file objections at that time.