

Exam 4 Review
Chapter 9, The Judiciary
Chapter 10, Local Government in Texas

County Commissioner Courts
Primary functions
County judge

Judicial campaigns
Judicial Campaign Fairness Act of 1995
Judicial elections process

At-large elections

Civil law and criminal law

Requirements of home-rule cities

Judicial Selection Methods
Merit Selection
Appointment
Appoint-retain-elect

Home-rule city forms of government
Mayor-council
Council-manager
Commissioner

*League of United Latin American Citizens v
Mattox* (1989)

Functions of:
County government
City government
Special districts

Factors that support alternative judicial selection
methods

County courts at law

General-statute cities

The “name game”

Statutory probate courts

Retention election

Jurisdiction and function of
Texas Supreme Court
Court of Criminal Appeals
Court of Appeals
District Courts
Municipal courts
Justice of the peace

Ordinance

State Commission on Judicial Conduct

Hidden government