Experienced municipal judges who have completed two years of TMCEC courses may opt to fulfi ll the 16-hour mandatory judicial education requirements for 2022-2023 by attending an approved course off ered by an approved continuing education provider. The accredited providers are:

- American Judges Association
- ABA Traffic Seminar
- Center for American and International Law
- Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas
- Harvard Law School
- Houston Municipal Court
- Juvenile Law Section of the State Bar of Texas
- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- National Center for State Courts
- National College of District

- Attorneys
- National Council of Juvenile and
- Family Court Judges
- National Judicial College
- Office of Court Administration
- State Bar of Texas Municipal Judges Section
- State Bar of Texas Professional Development Programs
- Texas Association of Counties
- Texas Center for the Judiciary
- Texas Court Clerks Association
- Texas Council on Family Violence

- Texas Defense Lawyers Project Texas Department of Public Safety
- Texas Dispute Resolution System
- Texas District and County Attorneys Association
- Texas Indigent Defense Commission
- Texas Justice Court Judges Association
- Texas Justice Courts Training Center
- Texas Juvenile Justice Department
  - Texas Municipal Courts Association
  - Texas Municipal League
  - U.S. Army, Judge Advocate School

Texas law schools and bar associations are also approved. The course must be approved, relate to the jurisdiction of the municipal courts, and be at least eight (8) hours. Any remaining hours may be completed by viewing TMCEC's on-line webinars. Judges may opt out only every other year. Judges are asked to complete an Intent to Opt Out form, if desired, prior to April 30, 2023. If you have questions please contact the registrar at TMCEC (800.252.3718 or register@tmcec.com).

## **INTENT TO OPT OUT FORM**

Judges seeking to opt out must complete this application form before they have attended an approved alternative course to ensure that the course meets the requirements. Once reviewed by the TMCEC Executive Director or General Counsel & Director of Education, a letter of approval will be sent to the judge. Upon completion of the approved course, the judge must send an affirmation of completion or certificate documenting attendance.

Full Name:	
Appointment Date:	Telephone:
Court Address:	
	Email Address:
Provider	Name of Program
Date of Program	# of Hours
Date	Signature
	Return form to:
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