

## **Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners**

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On behalf of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners, I extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone whose efforts resulted in the Texas Supreme Court's decision in *Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners et al v. Texas Medical Association* on January 29, 2021. Special thanks are due to all the attorneys at the Office of the Attorney General who worked on this case over these years.

The decision properly affirmed the validity of the Board's scope of practice rule, which the court clearly said does not exceed our statutory scope of chiropractic practice. The court unequivocally held that the Board's rules do not violate Occupations Code Chapter 201 or run counter to the chapter's objectives set by the Texas Legislature, and in fact carefully observe the statutory boundary between the medical and chiropractic professions. This decision, which recognizes the common sense and long-standing inclusion of associated nerves in chiropractic diagnosis and treatment, preserves and strengthens the essence of chiropractic.

Thanks to the court's decision, our licensees can now fulfill their duties as vital portal-of-entry healthcare providers in Texas without fear. The court's decision reaffirms the principles of economic freedom that have made Texas the best state in the nation to be a chiropractor.

Sincerely, forsage

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