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Revised Chapters

- Chapter 123, *Jury Deliberations and the Verdict* and Chapter 201, *Covenants Not to Compete* have been heavily revised in this release.

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Chapter 123, Jury Deliberations and the Verdict.

The title of Chapter 123 has changed to *Jury Deliberations and the Verdict* to more accurately reflect the coverage provided. Chapter 123 was also revised and updated and explains the procedural and constitu-

tional limitations applying to the jury deliberation process, and the technical requirements for acceptable verdicts. It also includes a detailed discussion of the standards governing impeachment of verdicts by use of testimony for jurors. The restrictive current standards, developed in the wake of the Texas Supreme Court decision in *Golden Eagle Archery, Inc. v. Jackson*, 24 S.W.3d 362 (Tex. 2000), are examined, and the restrictions under comparable federal law are also reviewed. In addition to a detailed procedural guide on these matters, the revised chapter contains an expanded collection of forms.

Chapter 201, Covenants Not to Compete.

Chapter 201 has been significantly revised to include comprehensive coverage of *Alex Sheshunoff Mgmt. Servs., L.P. v. Johnson*, 209 S.W.3d 644 (Tex. 2006) and the effect it has had on covenants not to compete. This revision also includes updated and enhanced forms starting at § 201.100.

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