

Texas Department of Banking Press Release

Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals Hands Down Its Decision in the Ghiglieri v. Sun World Case

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At 5:30 p.m. yesterday, July 22, 1997, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals handed down its decision in the Ghiglieri v. Sun World case. The Fifth Circuit overturned the District Court decision and found in favor of the Comptroller of the Currency. The Fifth Circuit's decision, if left intact, will bring interstate branching to Texas and, until the tax laws are changed, will result in a loss of revenue to the State, among other things.

We are awaiting a decision from the Fifth Circuit in the Ghiglieri v. Ludwig case, which we expect shortly. In the meantime, we are discussing our options for appeal with the Attorney General's Office.