

**NO. 03-16-00172-CV**

---

**IN THE COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
AT AUSTIN**

---

**GTECH CORPORATION,**

**Appellant,**

**V.**

**JAMES STEELE, ET AL.,**

**Appellees.**

---

**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE  
AND DESIGNATION OF LEAD COUNSEL**

---

TO THE HONORABLE COURT OF APPEALS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, in accordance with Rules 6.1 and 6.2 of the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure, the following counsel from the law firm of Haynes and Boone, LLP, hereby enter their appearance as counsel of record for GTECH Corporation:

Nina Cortell – LEAD COUNSEL  
State Bar No. 04844500  
Email: nina.cortell@haynesboone.com

Kent Rutter  
State Bar No. 00797364  
Email: kent.rutter@haynesboone.com

The addresses, telephone numbers, and facsimile numbers for these counsel are provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Nina Cortell*

---

Nina Cortell  
State Bar No. 04844500  
HAYNES AND BOONE, LLP  
2323 Victory Avenue, Suite 700  
Dallas, Texas 75219  
Telephone: (214) 651-5000  
Telecopier: (214) 651-5940  
*nina.cortell@haynesboone.com*

Kent Rutter  
State Bar No. 00797364  
HAYNES AND BOONE, LLP  
1221 McKinney Street, Suite 2100  
Houston, Texas 77010-2007  
Telephone: (713) 547-2000  
Telecopier: (713) 547-2600  
*kent.rutter@haynesboone.com*

Kenneth E. Broughton  
State Bar No. 03087250  
Michael H. Bernick  
State Bar No. 24078227  
Arturo Munoz  
State Bar No. 24088103  
REED SMITH LLC  
811 Main Street, Suite 1700  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Telephone: (713) 469-3800  
Telecopier: (713) 469-3899  
*kbroughton@reedsmith.com*  
*mbernick@reedsmith.com*  
*amunoz@reedsmith.com*

***Counsel for Appellant,  
GTECH Corporation***

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure, I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the *Notice of Appearance and Designation of Lead Counsel* has been served on the following counsel of record via e-service on this 31st day of March, 2016:

***Counsel for Appellees James Steele,  
et al.:***

Richard L. LaGarde  
Mary Ellis LaGarde  
LAGARDE LAW FIRM, P.C.  
3000 Wesleyan, Suite 380  
Houston, Texas 77027  
richard@lagardelaw.com  
mary@lagardelaw.com

Manfred Sternberg  
MANFRED STERNBERG & ASSOCIATES  
4550 Post Oak Place Dr., Suite 119  
Houston, Texas 77027  
manfred@msternberg.com

W. Mark Lanier  
Christopher L. Gadoury  
THE LANIER LAW FIRM, P.C.  
6810 Cypress Creek Parkway  
Houston, Texas 77069  
WML@lanierlawfirm.com  
chris.gadoury@lanierlawfirm.com

***Counsel for Appellees Jennifer and  
Nathan Adams:***

Blake C. Erskine  
ERSKINE & MCMAHON, L.L.P.  
P.O. Box 3485  
Longview, Texas 75606  
blakee@erskine-mcmahon.com

***Counsel for Appellee Hon. Thomas G.  
Jones:***

Christopher S. Hamilton  
Andrea L. Fitzgerald  
STANDLY AND HAMILTON, LLP  
325 N. St. Paul Street, Suite 3300  
Dallas, Texas 75201  
chamilton@standlyhamilton.com

***Counsel for Appellees Christi Bambico,  
et al.:***

Clinton E. Wells, Jr.  
MCDOWELL WELLS, L.L.P.  
603 Avondale  
Houston, Texas 77006  
cew@houstontrialattorneys.com

***Counsel for Appellees Corazon V. Abell,  
et al.:***

Daniel H. Byrne  
Lessie G. Fitzpatrick  
FRITZ, BYRNE, HEAD &  
FITZPATRICK, PLLC  
221 West 6th Street, Suite 960  
Austin, Texas 78701  
dbyrne@fbhh.com  
lfitzpatrick@fbhh.com

***Counsel for Appellee Sandra Flores:***

Eugene W. Brees  
WHITEHURST, HARKNESS, BREES,  
CHENG, ALSAFFAR & HIGGINBOTHAM  
7500 Rialto Blvd., Bldg. Two  
Suite 250  
Austin, Texas 78735  
cbrees@nationaltriallaw.com

Richard Warren Mithoff  
Warner V. Hocker  
MITHOFF LAW  
Penthouse, One Allen Center  
500 Dallas, Suite 3450  
Houston, Texas 77002  
rmithoff@mithofflaw.com  
whocker@mithofflaw.com

***Counsel for Appellees Jackie Bechtold,  
et al.:***

James D. Hurst  
JAMES D. HURST, P.C.  
1202 Sam Houston Avenue  
Huntsville, Texas 77340  
jdhurst@sbcglobal.net

***Counsel for Appellee Michael Crist:***

Jerry B. Register  
JERRY B. REGISTER, P.C.  
1202 Sam Houston Avenue  
P.O. Box 1402  
Huntsville, Texas 77342  
jbbreg@sbcglobal.net

***Counsel for Appellees Dillon Adkins, et  
al.:***

John H. Read, II  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1230 N. Riverfront Blvd.  
Dallas, Texas 75207-4013  
john@readlawoffices.com

***Counsel for Appellees Cathy Sue Clark,  
et al.:***

Leonard E. Cox  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
P.O. Box 1127  
Seabrook, Texas 77586  
LawyerCox@LawyerCox.com

***Counsel for Appellee Kenyatta Jacobs:***

Leroy B. Scott  
SCOTT ESQ.  
3131 McKinney Ave, Ste. 600  
Dallas, Texas 75204  
lscott@scottesq.com

***Counsel for Appellee Ailehs Gains:***

Paul T. Morin  
PAUL T. MORIN, P.C.  
503 W. 14th Street  
Austin, Texas 78701  
PMorin@austin.rr.com

***Counsel for Appellee Juan Olivo  
Garcia:***

Raymond L. Thomas  
Olegario Garcia  
Ricardo Pumarejo Jr.  
KITTLEMAN THOMAS, PLLC  
4900-B N. 10th Street  
McAllen, Texas 78504  
rthomas@ktattorneys.com  
ogarcia@ktattorneys.com  
rpumarejo@ktattorneys.com

***Counsel for Appellees Daniel LaCroix,  
et ux.:***

Wes Dauphinot  
DAUPHINOT LAW FIRM  
900 West Abram  
Arlington, Texas 76013  
wes@dauphinotlawfirm.com

William M. Pratt  
LAW OFFICE OF WILLIAM PRATT  
3265 Lackland Road  
Fort Worth, Texas 76010  
lawofficeoffice@yahoo.com

***Counsel for Appellees Raymond L.  
Boyd, et al.:***

William S. Webb  
KRAFT & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
2777 Stemmons Freeway, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75207  
swebb@kraftlaw.com

***Counsel for Appellees Ramona B.  
Carson, et al.:***

Andrew G. Khoury  
KHOURY LAW FIRM  
2002 Judson Road, Suite 204  
Longview, Texas 75606-1151  
andy@khourylawfirm.com

***Counsel for Appellee Gregory Clem:***

Henderson L. Buford, III  
BUFORD LAW  
8240 N. Mopac Expressway, Suite 130  
Austin, Texas 78759  
hlb@bufordlaw.com

*/s/ Nina Cortell*

---

Nina Cortell