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Admitted to the State Bar of Texas
Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Family Law

November 2007
January 2019

WORK EXPERIENCE

Goranson Bain Ausley, PLLC, Dallas, Texas January 2013-Present

- Partner, 100 percent of practice dedicated to family law

Underwood Perkins, P.C, Dallas, Texas June 2005 – December 2012

- November 2007-December 2012: Associate attorney
- June 2005-November 2007: Legal clerk

166th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas September 2006-May 2007

- Judicial Intern for District Judge Martha Tanner

EDUCATION

St. Mary's University School of Law, Juris Doctorate, San Antonio, Texas 2004-2007

- Phi Delta Phi, Legal Fraternity (membership based on academic achievement), Member
- Bexar County Dispute Resolution Center, Volunteer Mediator
 - Completed training to mediate both civil and family matters

Baylor University, Bachelor of Arts, Waco, Texas 2000-2004

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Annette Stewart American Inn of Court, Barrister
- Collin County Bar Association, Member
- Collaborative Divorce Dallas, Member
- Dallas Bar Association, Family Law Section, Member
- State Bar of Texas, Family Law Section, Member
- Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists, Member
- Texas Family Law Foundation, Member and Membership Committee Member

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Joseph W. McKnight Best Family Law CLE Article, 2014
- Best Lawyers Under 40, D Magazine, 2018, 2019, 2020
- Best Lawyers in America, Woodward and White Press, 2018, 2019, 2020
- People Newspapers, 20 Under 40, 2020
- Texas Rising Stars, Thomson Reuters, 2014 to 2020
 - Up-and-Coming 100: Texas Rising Stars, Thomson Reuters, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
 - Up-and-Coming 50: Women Texas Rising Stars List, Thomson Reuters, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- *Steering Through Parental Alienation Hurricanes: Myriad Concerns and Mistaken IDs* with Richard Warshak, Ph.D., Dallas Bar Association Family Law Section Bench Bar, 2021.
- *The Future of Future Support – Alimony and Spousal Maintenance* with Diana S. Friedman and Sarah Clower Keathley, Advanced Family Law Course, State Bar of Texas, 2020.
- 35TH TAFLS Annual Trial Institute, Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists, Faculty, 2020.

- *Collaborative Law for Paralegals*, with Anita Savage, Dallas Area Paralegal Association, Family Law Section, Dallas, Texas, 2019.
- *High Conflict Personalities and Personality Disorders for Paralegals*, with Shannon Armstrong, State Bar of Texas, Webinar, 2019.
- *Evidence 101 for Family Lawyers*, with Aimee P. Key, Family and Veterans Advocacy Clinic, Texas A&M University School of Law, Fort Worth, Texas, 2019.
- *How to Draw Clients to the Collaborative Model and Keep Them Satisfied* (written materials), with Kathryn J. Murphy, Collaborative Law: Avoid Breaking Bad When Breaking Up, State Bar of Texas, Dallas, Texas, 2019.
- *Defending the Accused* (written materials) with Hon. Dennise Garcia, Innovations: Breaking Boundaries in Custody Litigation, State Bar of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, 2019.
- *Navigating Your Family Law Matter When Someone with a Personality Disorder is Involved* (written materials) with Hon. Roy L. Moore and Kelly Ausley Flores, Advanced Family Law Course, State Bar of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, 2018.
- *High Conflict Family Law Matters, Personality Disorders, and the Effects on Parenting and Children's Experiences* with Hon. Roy L. Moore, Leigh de la Reza, and Jonathan Gould, Innovations: Breaking Boundaries in Custody Litigation, State Bar of Texas, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2018
- *Family Law for Real Estate Professionals*, Dallas, Texas, 2018
- *Direct and Cross of a Tracing Expert Demonstration*, with Hon. William Harris, Douglas K. Fejer, and Diana S. Friedman, Advanced Family Law on a Shoestring, Tarrant County Family Law Bar Association, Fort Worth, Texas, 2017
- *High Conflict Family Law Matters and Personality Disorder*, Dallas Area Paralegal Association, Family Law Section, Dallas, Texas, 2017.
- *Is a 50/50 Possession Schedule Right for Me?*, Goranson Bain Blog, 2017
- *Direct and Cross of a Tracing Expert (including Characterization Issues)*, with Hon. Roy L. Moore, Douglas K. Fejer, and Diana S. Friedman, Advanced Family Law Course, State Bar of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, 2017
- *Different Strokes for Different Folks* (written materials), with Hon. Denise Garcia, Hon. Graham Quisenberry, Brian Webb, and Diana S. Friedman, Innovations: Breaking Boundaries in Custody Litigation, State Bar of Texas, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2017.
- *Direct and Cross of a Tracing Expert* (written materials), with Hon. Roy L. Moore, Jonathan Bates, Douglas K. Fejer, and Diana S. Friedman, Advanced Family Law Course, State Bar of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, 2016.
- *Married or Not Married, That is the Question: Common Law Marriage in Texas*, Goranson Bain Blog, 2014.
- *High Conflict Family Law Matters and Personality Disorders*, with Beth E. Maultsby, Advanced Family Law Course, State Bar of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, 2013.
- *Taking Notes and Testifying in Courts*, with Laurel Arnold Clement, Dallas Metro Counseling Association, Dallas, Texas, 2010.
- *Legal and Ethical Issues Dealing with Divorced Families and Stepfamilies*, with Laurel Arnold Clement, Ethics Seminar for the Dallas Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, Dallas, Texas, 2009.
- *Eldorado, A Case Study: Duties of an Attorney Ad Litem*, with Laurel Arnold Clement, Dallas Bar Association and North Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas, 2008.