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### **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION**

Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, 2024  
Admitted to the State Bar of Texas, 2013  
Texas Tech University School of Law, J.D., magna cum laude, 2013  
Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, M.S., 2006  
Texas Christian University, B.S., magna cum laude, 2005

### **AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION**

Recognized as a Rising Star/Super Lawyer by Thomson Reuters, 2017-2025  
Named to Top Attorneys in Austin Monthly – 2020-2025  
Recognized in Best Lawyers: Family Law, Collaborative Law, and Family Law Mediation – 2024-2025  
Recognized in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Family Law 2020-2023  
Up-and-Coming 100: Texas Rising Stars List, Thomson Reuters, 2023  
Up-and-Coming 50: Women Texas Rising Stars List, Thomson Reuters, 2023

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND PUBLICATIONS**

- Member, Texas Family Law Foundation Bill Review Committee, 2024-2025
- CLE Speaker, “Divorce and SAPCR Procedure” VLS of Central Texas Divorce Basics Seminar, 2025
- CLE Speaker, “Basic Discovery in Family Law” Corpus Christi Family Law Essentials Seminar, 2022
- CLE Speaker, “Prepping the Witness for Testimony” Waco Family Law Essentials Seminar, 2021
- Author, “The ‘Lone Ranger’ in Non-Lawyer Mediation: Protocol, Pitfalls, and the Future of Mediation for Unrepresented Parties” – Marriage Dissolution Institute, 2021
- CLE Speaker and Author, “Family Law Settlement Agreements: Rule 11s, ISAs, MSAs, Collaborative Settlement Agreements, and Arbitration” – State Bar of Texas, 2020
- CLE Speaker, “Temporary Orders” – Volunteer Legal Services Divorce Basics Seminar, 2019
- CLE Speaker, “Social Media, Discovery, and Ethics” – Texas Advanced Paralegals Seminar, 2019
- CLE Speaker, “Modifications” – Victoria Family Law Essentials Seminar, 2019
- CLE Speaker, “Divorce 101” – Williamson County/WLS Presentation Series, 2018
- Co-Author, “Professionalism: Lessons Learned” – Advanced Family Law, 2019
- Co-Author, “Drafting Enforceable Orders” – Family Law 101, 2019
- Co-Author, “Which Way Do We Go? Drafting Considerations in Jurisdiction” – Adv. Drafting, 2017
- Contributor, Texas Family Law Foundation’s *Annotated Texas Family Code 2017*
- Co-President, Mother Attorneys Mentoring Association of Austin, 2021-2023
- Past Vice President, Women Lawyers Section, Williamson County Bar Association
- Member, State Bar of Texas, Family Law Section
- Member, College of the State Bar of Texas
- Member, Austin Bar Association, Family Law Section

### **SPECIALTY TRAINING**

30-hour Family Law Mediation Training, 2020  
40-hour Basic Mediation training, 2012  
Basic Interdisciplinary Training, Collaborative Divorce Texas, 2019

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Girl Scouts Troop Leader
- Sustaining Member, The Junior League of Austin