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EDUCATION

Rice University (BA English, 1976)

University of Texas School of Law (JD 1979)

EMPLOYMENT

Alexander Dubose Jefferson & Townsend LLP (2003-present)

Holman & Hogan; Holman Hogan Dubose & Townsend; Hogan Dubose & Townsend, L.L.P. (1994-2003)

Perdue, Turner & Berry; Perdue & Todesco; Jim Perdue & Associates
(of counsel 1987-1994)

Solo Practitioner (1985-1987)

Ryan & Marshall (partner 1984-1985; associate 1979-1984)

University of Houston Law Center

Director of Appellate Advocacy (1990-1994)

Adjunct Professor of Appellate Advocacy (2005-10)

Director of Legal Research and Writing (1987-1991)

Adjunct Professor of Legal Writing (1982, 1983, 1986, 1987)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND HONORS

Board of Directors, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers (2015-present)

Board of Directors, Texas Center for Legal Ethics (2015-present)

Chief Justice Jack Pope Professionalism Award – Texas Center for Legal
Ethics (2012)

Fellow, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers (2006-present)

Texas Super Lawyers: Top 100 Lawyers in Texas (2007, 2009-11); Top 100

Lawyers in Houston(2006-present); Civil Appellate Law (2003-present)

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*, in Appellate Law (2004-present); Houston
Appellate Lawyer of the Year 2013

Listed in *Chambers USA Client's Guide*, in Appellate Law (2005-present)

Law Dragon 3000 (list of Top 3,000 lawyers in U.S.) (2010)

Chair, Appellate Practice and Advocacy Section, State Bar of Texas (1995-96)

Chair, Appellate Practice Section, Houston Bar Association (1992-93)

Board Certified in Civil Appellate Law and Personal Injury Trial Law

BAR ACTIVITIES

State Bar of Texas

Appellate Practice and Advocacy Section

Council member and officer 1989–98

Chair 1995-96

State Appellate Practice Committee 1989–91

Continuing Legal Education Committee, Chair 1988–89

Professionalism Committee Chair 2003-05

Annual Meeting Committee Co-Chair 2005-06

By-Law Committee Co-Chair 2011-12

Plain Language Committee 1989–93

Houston Bar Association

Appellate Practice and Advocacy Section

Chair 1992–1993

Founding Committee and Officer 1990–99

Newsletter Editor 1996–97

Professionalism Committee

Co-chair 1993–94

Appellate Judiciary Committee 1990–91

College of the State Bar of Texas 1994-present

Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation 1998–present

Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit

PUBLICATIONS AND SPEECHES

Books

Oral Argument, TEXAS APPELLATE PRACTICE MANUAL, Chapter 16 (2d ed. 1993)

Legal Writing, LEGAL NURSE CONSULTING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE, Chapter 14 (1998)

Writing a Persuasive Supreme Court Brief, TEXAS SUPREME COURT PRACTICE MANUAL 2005, Chapter 6 (2005)

Preserving Issues for Appeal, PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO CIVIL APPEALS IN TEXAS, Chapter 1 (2014)

Appellate Ethics, PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO CIVIL APPEALS IN TEXAS, Chapter 17 (2014)

Articles

Standards for Appellate Conduct Adopted in Texas, 2 J. APPELLATE PRACTICE & PROCESS 191 (2000)

Standards of Appellate Conduct: Insight into Their Creation and Purpose, 62 TEX. BAR J. 558 (1999)

The Court Has Ruled, THE SECOND DRAFT, NEWSLETTER OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (1992)

Continuing Legal Education Programs

Successful Legal Writing Strategies for Today's Readers, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, SUCCESS STRATEGIES AND KEY LESSONS FOR YOUNG LAWYERS (2014)

How the Paperless World is Changing Reading and Comprehension, and How Appellate Brief Writers Can and Should Adapt, AMERICAN ACADEMY OF APPELLATE LAWYERS SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING (2014)

Drafting Unambiguous Appellate Court Judgments, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2013)

The Importance of Legal Traditions in Maintaining Decorum and Civility in an Adversarial Process, HOUSTON BAR ASSOCIATION APPELLATE SECTION LUNCHEON (2013)

The Development of Judicial Ethics in Texas, HARRIS COUNTY CIVIL JUDICIAL EDUCATION

CONFERENCE (2013)
Tools for Clear and Persuasive Legal Writing, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, IN-HOUSE COUNSEL 101 (2013)
Help! In Am Not an Appellate Expert, How Do I Preserve Error?!, HARRIS COUNTY BENCH BAR CONFERENCE (2013)
The Development of Judicial Ethics in Texas, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, HISTORY OF TEXAS SUPREME COURT JURISPRUDENCE (2013)
Logic, Rhetoric and Ethics in Appellate Advocacy, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2012)
Appellate Issues in Family Law, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED FAMILY LAW (2012)
Legal Writing for the Real World of Computer Readers, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, SUCCESS STRATEGIES AND KEY LESSON FOR YOUNG LAWYERS (2012)
Logic, Rhetoric and Ethics: Getting it Right in the Age of Spin, HOUSTON BAR ASSOCIATION APPELLATE SECTION LUNCHEON (2011)
Balanced Life and Law Practice, STATE BAR OF TEXAS ANNUAL MEETING (2011)
Legal Writing, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, SUING, DEFENDING AND NEGOTIATING WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, (2011)
10 Tools to Make Your Writing Clearer and More Persuasive, STATE BAR OF TEXAS WEBCAST (2011)
Legal Writing in the Real World, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, SUCCESS STRATEGIES AND KEY LESSON FOR YOUNG LAWYERS (2010)
Practicing Law and Wellness: Modern Strategies for Lawyers Dealing With Anxiety, Addiction, and Depression, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ESTATE PLANNING AND PROBATE DRAFTING COURSE (2010)
Appellate Jeopardy, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2010)
The Appellate Lawyer and a Meaningful Existence, AMERICAN ACADEMY OF APPELLATE LAWYERS SPRING MEETING (2010)
Mandamus Vignettes, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2009)
Differences in Judicial preparation for Oral Argument, Conferences and Assignments: Does It Make a Difference in Quality?, AMERICAN ACADEMY OF APPELLATE LAWYERS SPRING MEETING (2009)
Using Daubert in Medical Malpractice Cases, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED MEDICAL MALPRACTICE COURSE (2009)
A Court-Centered Approach to Appellate Advocacy, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2008)
Fitness to Practice Law: Balancing Life and Livelihood, STATE BAR OF TEXAS WEBCAST (2007)
Improving the Work Product of Appellate Courts and Advocates: A Frank Critique, HOUSTON BAR ASS'N, APPELLATE SECTION LUNCHEON (2007)
Care and Feeding of Your Appellate Clients, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2007)
Privileges, STATE BAR OF TEXAS, ADVANCED EVIDENCE & DISCOVERY (2007)
Mandamus: Perspectives of Court and Counsel, HOUSTON BAR ASS'N., CIVIL TRIAL AND APPELLATE BENCH BAR CONFERENCE (2007)
Fitness to Practice Appellate Law: Improving Physical, Mental, and Emotional Health and Enhancing Your Law Practice by Integrating Spiritual Awareness and Balance Into Your Life and Law Practice, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2006)
Be Careful What You Ask For: Changing Strategies to Adapt to the Changes in the Personal Injury Litigation Environment, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED PERSONAL INJURY PRACTICE COURSE (2006)
Things Appellate Judges Do That Appellate Lawyers Don't Like, TEXAS JUDICIAL SECTION ANNUAL CONFERENCE (2005)
Waiving Your Appeal Good-Bye, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2005)
Exploring Opportunities for Exemplary Damages, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED MEDICAL MALPRACTICE COURSE (2005)
Oral Argument Demonstration Critique, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2004)

Briefwriting: Giving Your Audience What It Needs, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2003)

Tips on Avoiding Appellate Traps, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, CIVIL APPEALS FOR TRIAL LAWYERS (2003)

Critique of Live Oral Argument, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL TRIAL COURSE (2002)

Appellate Marketing, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE COURSE (2002)

Ethical Appellate Advocacy, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, CIVIL APPEALS FOR TRIAL LAWYERS (2001)

Appellately Incorrect, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (2001)

Top Ten Reasons for Hiring an Appellate Specialist in the Trial Court, AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, ABA TORT AND INSURANCE PRACTICE SECTION (2001)

Doing the Right Thing: Ethics and Professionalism in the Appellate Practice, UNIV. TEX., CONFERENCE ON STATE AND FEDERAL APPEALS (2001)

What Not to Say in Oral Argument, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, FEAR AND LOATHING ON APPEAL (1999)

What to do When the Verdict Comes In, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL TRIAL COURSE (1999)

New Standards of Appellate Conduct: Talking the Talk and Walking the Walk, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE COURSE (1999)

Brief Writing and Oral Argument, STATE BAR OF TEX., APPELLATE PRACTICE INSTITUTE (1998)

A Personal Look at the Standards of Appellate Conduct, HOUSTON BAR ASSOC., APPELLATE/BENCH BAR CONFERENCE (1997)

Post-Trial Motions, State Bar of Tex., 20TH ANNUAL ADVANCED CIVIL TRIAL COURSE (1997)

Course Director, STATE BAR OF TEX., 11TH ANNUAL ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (1997)

Legal Aspects of Voir Dire, HOUSTON BAR ASSOCIATION (1997)

Briefs to the Court of Appeals, STATE BAR OF TEX., Practicing Under the New Texas Appellate Rules (1997)

Post-Verdict Strategies, UNIV. OF HOUSTON, LITIGATION AND TRIAL TACTICS SEMINAR (1997)

How to Conduct a Robinson/Daubert Hearing, UNIV. TEX., EVIDENCE AND DISCOVERY SYMPOSIUM (1997)

Preservation of Error Prior to Verdict, STATE BAR OF TEX., 19TH ANNUAL ADVANCED CIVIL TRIAL COURSE (1996)

Motions for Rehearing: Snatching Victory from the Jaws of Defeat, STATE BAR OF TEX., 10TH ANNUAL ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (1996)

The Appellate Lawyer and its Trial Consultant, UNIV. TEX., 6TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON STATE AND FEDERAL APPEALS (1996)

The Jury Charge and Appellate Considerations, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, 9TH ANNUAL ADVANCED PERSONAL INJURY LAW SEMINAR (1996)

How to Avoid Losing Your Case in Oral Argument, TARRANT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION, KEYS TO UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF APPELLATE PRACTICE (1996)

Oral Argument, HOUSTON BAR ASSOCIATION, APPELLATE PRACTICE INSTITUTE (1996)

Oral Argument: Handling and Mishandling Questions of the Court, UNIV. TEX., 6TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING CIVIL APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1996)

Publish or Perish in the Courts of Appeal, UNIV. TEX., 5TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING CIVIL APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1995)

Briefwriting: The Good, The Bad and the Ugly, STATE BAR OF TEX., APPELLATE PRACTICE INSTITUTE (1995)

Briefwriting, Part One: Points of Error, Statement of Facts, Etc., UNIV. OF HOUSTON LAW CENTER, APPELLATE PRACTICE SEMINAR (1994)

Oral Argument Can Hurt You, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE COURSE (1994)

Oral Argument: Learning from the Masters, UNIV. TEX., 4TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING CIVIL APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1994)

Ten Suggestions for a More Civilized Appellate Bar, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE

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Oral Argument: Persuasion, Performance and Perspective, UNIV. TEX., 3RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING CIVIL APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1993)
Oral Argument: Survey of Texas Appellate Judiciary, UNIV. TEX., 3RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING CIVIL APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1993)
Briefwriting, Part One: Points of Error, Statement of Facts, Etc., UNIV. OF HOUSTON APPELLATE PRACTICE SEMINAR (1993)
Clear and Concise Drafting of Pleadings, STATE BAR OF TEX., CIVIL TRIAL MINI COURSE(1992)
Theories of Appellate Oral Argument: Point/Counterpoint, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE COURSE (1992)
Preservation of Error and Avoidance of Waiver in Post-trial Motions, UNIV. TEX., 2nd ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING CIVIL APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1992)
Preserving Error at Trial, Excluding the Charge Conference, STATE BAR OF TEX., LITIGATION STRATEGIES FROM THE EXPERTS (1992)
Clear and Effective Communication About Legal Matters, HOUSTON ASSOC. OF LEGAL ASSISTANTS SEMINAR (1992)
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Appellate Oral Argument: Mistakes Commonly Made by Even Good Advocates, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (1991)
Preservation of Error at Trial, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED CIVIL TRIAL COURSE (1991)
Appellate Briefs for Texas Courts, UNIV. TEX., 1ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNIQUES FOR HANDLING APPEALS IN STATE AND FEDERAL COURT (1991)
Post-Trial Motions, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, MOTION ADVOCACY: TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES
The Law of Appellate Advocacy, NAT'L INST. OF TRIAL ADVOC., APPELLATE ADVOC. COURSE (1991)
Clear, Concise Drafting of Pleadings, STATE BAR OF TEX., LITIGATION, et. seq. (1990)
Ostensible Agency and Agency by Estoppel in Houston-Based Medical Malpractice Cases, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CONFERENCE (1990)
Preservation of Error: Post-trial, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (1990)
Writing Effective Appellate Briefs for Texas Courts, TEXAS TRIAL LAWYERS ASS'N, WINNING ON APPEAL SEMINAR (1989) (speaker & author)
Post-trial Motions, SOUTH TEX. COLLEGE OF LAW, ADVANCED CIVIL LITIGATION INSTITUTE (1989)
Writing Appellate Briefs: Format, Style and Process, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (1989)
Texas Appellate Brief Format: An Analysis of a Non-random Sample of Briefs by Texas Lawyers, STATE BAR OF TEX., ADVANCED APPELLATE PRACTICE COURSE (1989)
Fifth Circuit Judicial Survey on Appellate Briefs, FIFTH CIRCUIT APPELLATE PRACTICE AND ADVOCACY SEMINAR (1988)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Board of Directors, Main Street Theater, 2008-present; President 2011-13
Board of Directors, Houston Urban Debate League, 2008-present; President-elect 2013-15
President, Carnegie Vanguard High School PTO, 2003-05
Assistant Scoutmaster, Boy Scout Troop 924, 1998-2006
Numerous leadership positions, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1990-present

FAMILY

Married to Glenda Owen, DDS, since 1981
Two sons, Travis & Ryan born in 1985 and 1988, respectively

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Running, cycling, theater, cinema, live music, foodie pursuits, craft beer, wine