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***Education***

J.D., *Tulane School of Law*, New Orleans, LA, 1985

B.A., Psychology, *Kent State University*, Kent, Ohio, 1984 (Psi Chi, Blue Key, ODK)

***Bar Admissions, Licenses, Certifications***

 • Admitted to Texas State Bar, December 1985

***Membership***

 • Family Law Section of the Texas and Houston Bar Associations

 • Real Estate, Probate, and Trusts Law Section of the Texas and Houston Bar Associations

***Awards and Honors***

 • National Legal Aid & Defender Association 2018 Reginald Heber Smith Award

 • Garland R. Walker American Inns of Court 2018 Attorney Professionalism Award

 • Managing Attorney Gulf Coast Claims Facility/British Petroleum Claims Consortium - won

 ABA John Minor Wisdom Award

 • Outstanding Contribution to Houston Volunteer Lawyers 1989

***Legal Experience***

Principal at Law Office of Saundra J. Brown, January 2019 to Present

 Practicing family law, custody, wills, and probate in Greater Houston area

Lone Star Legal Aid, May 1994 to August 2017

 Directing Attorney of Disaster Legal Services August 2017 to January 2019.

Managing Attorney of Disaster Unit, Galveston Office, and Family Unit

Staff Attorney, Various Units May 1994 to February 2010

***Special Expertise***

 • Directly supervised and trained three new associate attorneys in Family Law practice

 • Extensive experience in Family, Wills, Probate, and Advanced Directives Law

 • Extensive training in the areas of Family Law, Wills, Probate, Trusts, and Guardianship Law

 • Nationally recognized leader in providing post-disaster legal services

 • Managing attorney for the General Land Office Title Clearing Project, post-Ike (2015-17)

 • Managing attorney Gulf Coast Claims Facility/British Petroleum Claims

 • Previous Chair and Vice-Chair, Texas Gulf Coast Regional Volunteer Organizations

 Aiding in Disasters (VOAD)

 • Georgetown Law’s Law and Technology Class Project Spring 2015 (DART-Disaster

 Assistance Recovery Tool) relating to disaster issues, which won the Iron Tech competition

 • Adjunct Faculty Houston Community College 1997 to 2016 and 2019 to now

***Presentations***

* Equal Justice Conferences, 2013 and 2014
* Legal Services Corporation’s Innovations in Technology Conference, numerous years
* National Legal Aid and Defender Association Conference; 2014, 2017, and 2018
* National Consumer Law Center’s Annual Conference, 2018
* Annual Pro Bono Institute Annual Conference, 2018
* Texas Poverty Law Conference on FEMA Recoupment, Disaster Pro Bono, and Flood

Insurance Issues; 2012, 2017, and 2018

* Presenter State Bar of Texas 2019 Litigation Update
* Speaker on Family Law and Disaster for University of Houston’s Peoples Law School, Various Years

***Publications***

*The Long Road to Recovery*, Texas Bar Journal Vol. 81, No. 4, page 242, April 2018 <https://www.texasbar.com/AM/Template.cfm?Section=articles&Template=/CM/HTMLDisplay.cfm&ContentID=39703>

*What do you do when the Storms Blow Through? An Overview of Insurance and Other Relief Available After Disasters*, Houston Bar Association, Probate, Trust, and Estate Section, March 28, 2017

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