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### BAR ADMISSIONS:

**New Mexico State Bar**, *Admitted September 2014*

**Texas State Bar**, *Admitted May 2015*

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

United States District Courts for the Northern, Western, & Eastern Districts of Texas

### EDUCATION:

**Baylor University School of Law** – Waco, TX

- Juris Doctorate, *cum laude* (May 2014)
- Concentration: Business Litigation
- Dean's List | Moot Court Society Barrister | Quarterfinalist, Federal Bar Association Moot Court Competition | Evidence Coach, AAJ Mock Trial Team

**New Mexico State University** – Las Cruces, NM

- Bachelor of Business Administration, *with high honors* (May 2011)
- Major: Marketing; Minor: Advertising
- President's Associates Full Tuition Scholarship
- 4.0 GPA | Graduated in 3 years | Crimson Scholar | Dean's List

### EXPERIENCE:

**McPheeters Law, PLLC** – Dallas, TX

Managing Attorney (*Sep. 2019 – present*)

- Civil Appeals; litigation strategy & support
- Texas & New Mexico; State & Federal Court

**Durham, Pittard & Spalding, LLP** (formerly Kelly, Durham & Pittard, LLP) – Dallas, TX

Associate Attorney (*Mar. 2015 – Aug. 2019*)

- Practiced civil appeals and litigation support in plaintiffs' personal injury and commercial litigation, including substantive briefing, pre- and post-trial motion practice, error preservation, and oral advocacy in trial and appellate courts

**Haley & Olson, PC** – Waco, TX

Law Clerk (*Oct. 2014 – Feb. 2015*)

- Conducted legal research and prepared pleadings, motions, discovery, and correspondence in complex commercial and construction litigation

**Baylor University School of Law** – Waco, TX

Practice Court Program Legal Writing Grader (2014)

- Graded students' legal writing projects, including pleadings, motions, & memoranda

## EXPERIENCE, CONT'D:

### **Pakis, Giotes, Page, & Burleson, PC** – Waco, TX

Law Clerk (*Aug. 2014 – Sept. 2014*)

- Conducted legal research; assisted with trial preparation & exhibit management

### **Briones Law Firm, PA** – Farmington, NM

Law Clerk (*Aug. 2011 – Jan. 2012; 2013*)

- Managed extensive documentary evidence in complex commercial litigation
- Assisted with design & implementation of paperless office plan

## HONORS & AWARDS:

Rising Star, *Super Lawyers Magazine*, Thomson Reuters (*2018, 2019, & 2020*)

Top Women Lawyers in Texas, *Texas Monthly*, Thomson Reuters (*Jan. 2019 & Jan. 2020*)

John Howie Award, Dallas Trial Lawyers Association (*2018*)

Funderburk Evidence Award, Baylor University School of Law (*2014*)

Outstanding Graduating Senior Award: Marketing, NMSU College of Business (*2011*)

## ASSOCIATIONS & SERVICE:

Texas Trial Lawyers Association: Advocates Committee Board of Directors (*2017 – present*)

Dallas Trial Lawyers Association: Board of Directors (*2018 – present*), Communications Committee (*2018-19*), Communications Chair & Executive Committee (*2019-20*)

American Association for Justice

Dallas Women Lawyers Association

Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

William “Mac” Taylor American Inn of Court (*2018 – present*)

Judge Abner V. McCall American Inn of Court (*2014 – 2015*)

## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS:

*Personal Injury Law 101: Handling a PI Case from A-Z*, panelist

Texas Women Lawyers Association Annual Meeting, McAllen, TX (*Feb. 28, 2020*)

*Medical Malpractice & Personal Injury Update*

Mesquite Bar Association, Dallas, TX (*Feb. 19, 2020*)

*Chapter 18 & In re North Cypress Extravaganza*, co-presenter

Dallas Trial Lawyers Association, Dallas, TX (*Jan. 21, 2020*)

Houston Trial Lawyers Association, Houston, TX (*Feb. 13, 2020*)

*Personal Injury Litigation Update*, co-author

State Bar of Texas Litigation Update Institute, Austin, TX (*Jan. 30-31, 2020*)

*10 Things Your Appellate Lawyer Wants You to Know About Summary Judgment*

Texas Trial Lawyers Association Car Wrecks Seminar, Dallas, TX (*Oct. 10, 2019*)

Capital Area Trial Lawyers Association, Austin, TX (*July 9, 2019*)

Texas Trial Lawyers Association Car Wrecks Seminar, Houston, TX (*Feb. 21, 2019*)

*Nonparty Medical Discovery in the Wake of In re North Cypress*

Tarrant County Trial Lawyers Association, Fort Worth, TX (*Jan. 30, 2019*)

Permian Basin Trial Lawyers Association, Odessa, TX (*June 26, 2019*)

## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS, CONT'D:

*Workin' 9 to 5: Strategically Navigating Employment & Control Issues in Personal Injury Cases*  
Texas Trial Lawyers Association Midyear Conference, Houston, TX (June 6, 2019)

*Stayin' Alive: Overcoming Common Challenges to Chapter 74 Initial Expert Reports*  
TTLA Annual Meeting: Medical Malpractice Breakout Session, Plano, TX (Dec. 7, 2018)

*John Howie Award Presentation: State of Texas v. T.S.N.*  
Dallas Trial Lawyers Association, Dallas, TX (October 18, 2018)

*In re North Cypress Mandamus Discovery Opinion: The Aftermath*, co-presenter  
Texas Trial Lawyers Association Webinar (Sept. 26, 2018)

*We've Seen Worse: 2017-18 Personal Injury Case Law Update*  
South Plains Trial Lawyers Association, Lubbock, TX (Dec. 19, 2018)  
El Paso County Trial Lawyers Association, El Paso, TX (Apr. 19, 2018)  
Texas Trial Lawyers Association: Advocates, Dallas, TX (Apr. 12, 2018)  
Permian Basin Trial Lawyers Association, Odessa, TX (Mar. 28, 2018)

*Car Wreck Case Law Update: Seatbelts, Tow Trucks, & Cows in the Road*  
Texas Trial Lawyers Association Car Wrecks Seminar, Houston, TX (Mar. 3, 2016)

## SIGNIFICANT APPELLATE CASES:

*In re Guevara*, No. 05-19-01049-CV, 2020 WL 772830 (Tex. App.—Dallas Feb. 18, 2020, no pet. h.) (mem. op.)

*Galindo v. Garner*, No. 05-19-00061-CV, 2019 WL 2098689 (Tex. App.—Dallas May 14, 2019, no pet.) (mem. op.)

*Pettway v. Olvera*, No. 14-17-00532-CV, 2018 WL 4016949 (Tex. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] Aug. 23, 2018, pet. denied) (mem. op.)

*State v. T.S.N.*, 547 S.W.3d 617 (Tex. 2018)

*State v. T.S.N.*, 523 S.W.3d 171 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2017, pet. granted)

*In the interest of P.M.K.*, No. 05-15-01181-CV, 2017 WL 462343 (Tex. App.—Dallas Jan. 30, 2017, no pet.) (mem. op.)

*City of Houston v. Roman*, No. 01-15-01042-CV, 2016 WL 3748851 (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] July 12, 2016, no pet.) (mem. op.)

*Poledore v. Poledore*, No. 05-15-00619-CV, 2016 WL 2620648 (Tex. App.—Dallas May 6, 2016, pet. denied) (mem. op.)

*Harlingen Med. Ctr. Ltd. P'ship v. Andrade*, No. 13-14-0700-CV, No. 13-15-0119-CV, 2016 WL 1613297 (Tex. App.—Corpus Christi April 21, 2016, pet. dismissed by agr.) (mem. op.)

*Okon v. Boldon*, No. 02-14-00334-CV, 2015 WL 4652775 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth Aug. 6, 2015, no pet.) (mem. op.)