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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 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:

Chapter 18 & In re North Cypress Extravaganza, co-presenter with Matthew J. Kita

Permian Basin Trial Lawyers Association, Odessa, TX (*June 24, 2020*)

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

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

Keeping Your Practice Moving Forward During COVID-19, panelist

Texas Trial Lawyers Association Webinar (*April 17, 2020*)

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*)

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:

Poledore v. Daniel, No. 05-18-01278-CV, 2020 WL 1685333 (Tex. App.—Dallas April 7, 2020, no pet.) (mem. op.)

In re Guevara, No. 05-19-01049-CV, 2020 WL 772830 (Tex. App.—Dallas Feb. 18, 2020, orig. proceeding [mand. pending]) (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.)