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### **EDUCATION:**

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law, 2008, *with honors*
- B.S., Special Education, Texas A&M University, 2005, *summa cum laude*

### **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Admitted to Practice: State Bar of Texas; United States Tax Court
- Board Certified, Estate Planning and Probate Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization
- Texas Rising Star, Estate Planning & Probate (2017-2020), Up-and-Coming 50 Women (2020); *Texas Monthly* and *Texas Super Lawyers Magazine*

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

- Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section, State Bar of Texas (Council Member, 2020-2024)
- Tax Section, State Bar of Texas
- Probate, Trusts and Estates Section, Houston Bar Association (Council Member, 2020-2030)
- College of the State Bar of Texas
- Houston Estate Planner's Association
- Probate Forms Task Force, appointment by the Supreme Court of Texas (2016-present)

### **SPEECHES AND PUBLICATIONS:**

- Speaker/Author: *Implications of Termination of Grantor Trust Status*, State Bar of Texas 44th Annual Advanced Estate Planning & Probate Course, 2020
- Speaker: *Ten Things Every Estate Planner Needs to Know about Subchapter J*, State Bar of Texas Tax Section Tax Law in a Day, 2020
- Speaker/Author: *Getting to the Series Finale: Distributions of Estate Assets and Funding Testamentary Trusts*, State Bar of Texas 43rd Annual Advanced Estate Planning & Probate Course, 2019
- Speaker/Author: *Lighting the Way to the Exit: Drafting to Facilitate Terminating Distributions by Fiduciaries*, State Bar of Texas 27th Annual Estate Planning & Probate Drafting Course, 2016; Disability and Elder Law Attorneys Association (DELAA), 2016; 65th Annual Taxation Conference and 2017 Stanley M. Johanson Estate Planning Workshop, 2017; State Bar of Texas 30th Annual Estate Planning & Probate Drafting Course, 2019
- Panelist: *Estate Planning 101 for Gift Planners- Everything you want to know but are afraid to ask*; Charitable Gift Planners of Houston, 2018
- Speaker: *Death and Probate: Selected End-of-Life Issues*, Texas Bar College 19th Annual Summer School, 2017
- Panelist: *Mediating Contested Probate and Trust Disputes*, State Bar of Texas 41st Annual Advanced Estate Planning & Probate Course, 2017
- Speaker: *Estate Planning and Probate Basics*, Texas Bar College 18th Annual Summer School, 2016
- Speaker/Author: *Don't Let the Door Hit You on the Way Out: Funding Agreements, Receipts and Releases, and All That Jazz*, State Bar of Texas 26th Annual Estate Planning & Probate Drafting Course, 2015; Attorneys in Tax and Probate, 2015; Austin Bar Association's Estate and Probate Section, 2016; Houston Bar Association's Probate, Trusts and Estates Section, 2016
- Speaker/Author: *Nuts and Bolts: Planning for the Transfer of Non-Probate Assets at Death*, South Texas College of Law 29th Annual Wills and Probate Institute, 2014; University of Texas 16th Annual Estate Planning, Guardianship, and Elder Law Conference, 2014
- Speaker: *The Brave New World of Estate Planning*, Houston CPA Society 2014 Spring Accounting Expo, 2014
- Speaker: *Where to Begin? – An Overview of Trusts and Business Structure Choice and Conversion*, National Business Institute, Estate Planning from A to Z, 2013
- Co-Author/Speaker: *An Overview of the Probate Process*, National Business Institute, The Probate Process from Start to Finish, 2010, 2013
- Speaker: *Estate Planning Basics*, Houston Bar Association, 2013
- Co-Author/Panelist: *Irrevocable Life Insurance Trusts*, State Bar of Texas Intermediate Estate Planning and Probate Course, 2012
- Author/Speaker: *Where to Begin? An Overview of Trusts*, National Business Institute, Trusts 101, 2011
- Author/Speaker: *Life Insurance Trusts*, National Business Institute, Trusts 101, 2011

- Panelist: *Twilight Planning: Using Advanced Techniques to Plan for Incapacity*, Houston Bar Association's Probate, Trusts and Estates Section, 2011
- Author/Speaker: *Life Insurance Trusts*, Texas Bankers Association, Texas Trust Administration Forum, 2010 and 2011
- Author/Panelist: *Taking Stock- A Guide to Probate and Guardianship Inventories*, South Texas College of Law Wills & Probate Institute, 2009