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EDUCATION:

Yale University, BA in Philosophy & Religious Studies (cum laude, and honors in major) (1976)
Boston College, MA in Theology (concentration biomedical ethics, honors in oral exam) (1978)
University of California at Berkeley, School of Law (Boalt Hall), JD (1981)
A.A. White Dispute Resolution Institute, University of Houston, mediation certificate (1999)
Colorado State University, certificate in business ethics (2005)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

State Bar of Texas, Council Member, Insurance Law Section (term 2014-current)
American Bar Association 3-day Arbitration Training Institute (2011)
Member: American Bar / Maritime Law / Houston Bar Associations; Houston Mariners Club
Co-Chair, South Texas Insurance Law Seminar (McAllen, 2016)
Course Director, Advanced Insurance Law seminar, State Bar of Texas / Ins Law Section (2011)
Program planning committee, Adv Ins Law seminar, State Bar / Ins Law Sec (2009-12)
Program planning committee, Insurance Law Inst., Univ. of Texas School of Law, (1999-2004)
Seminar committee co-chair, Houston Mariners Club (2010-11)
Frequent speaker & contributor to insurance CLEs
Contributing Editor, TEXAS ANNOTATED INSURANCE CODE (Lexis-Nexis, 2007-09)
Co-Founder, South Texas Insurance Forum for Lawyers.

PRACTICE AREAS:

Insurance Coverage counseling, litigation & arbitration
Maritime & Offshore Energy litigation
Complex Commercial litigation & arbitration

PROFESSIONAL LISTINGS:

AV Preeminent rating Martindale-Hubble
Chambers USA, Leading Lawyers - Insurance (2006-2016)
Texas SuperLawyers - Insurance (2006-2016)
Best Lawyers in America - Insurance Law (Firm, 2008-2016)

LAW RELATED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

“*McGinnes v Phoenix Insurance Co: Just What is the Texas Supreme Court Thinking?*” (author), *Journal of Texas Insurance Law* (Fall 2016);

“Half and Hour of *Stowers*,” South Texas Insurance Law CLE Seminar: Insurance for General Practitioners, State Bar of Texas / Insurance Law Section (McAllen 2016, co-chair);

“Insurance Update” (author), 4th Annual Advanced Trial Strategies, State Bar of Texas (2015);

“Indemnity, Additional Insured, and the BP Oil Spill” (panelist), IRMI Energy Risk and Insurance Conference (2014);

“*Deepwater Horizon & Additional Insureds: Lessons Learned*,” 18th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2013);

“How to Get Your Claim Paid,” policyholder panel breakout, 18th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2013);

“Surplus Lines Update,” Advanced Insurance Law Course, State Bar of Texas (2013);

“Top Ten Things Every Business Lawyer Must Know About Insurance,” Essentials of Business Law Course, State Bar of Texas (2013);

“Contractual Liability, Additional Insureds, and Statutory Anti-Indemnity for Construction Contracts: New Developments,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2013);

“Conflicts, Contracts and Choosing Independent Counsel,” Texas Lawyer, Insurance Law supplemental insert (July 23, 2012);

“Surplus Lines: Controversies & Bonuses / Problems & Pitfalls,” Advanced Insurance Law Course, State Bar of Texas (2012);

“Contractual Liability, Additional Insureds & Construction Anti-Indemnity Statute: New Developments,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2012);

“Insurance Law Roundtable - Recent Developments” (author & panelist), State Bar of Texas webcast (2011);

“Command and Control: Independent Counsel v. Insurer’s Right to Defend,” point-counterpoint, 16th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2011);

“Arbitrating the Insurance Coverage Dispute” (moderator), Advanced Insurance Law Course, State Bar of Texas (2011);

“The Legacy of *Mid-Continent vs. Liberty Mutual* for Allocation Among Insurers,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2011);

“Choosing the Terms of the Policy: Searching for Reality in Policy Construction Amid the Legal Theory,” Advanced Insurance Law Course, State Bar of Texas (2010);

“Pleading for Coverage: Extrinsic Evidence,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2010);

“Duty to Defend: Eight Corners Rule, Notice & Insurer Response, Bad Faith & Extra-Contractual Damages,” Advanced Insurance & Tort Claims Course, University of Houston (2009);

“Do Rules of Policy Construction Matter?: Searching for Reality Amid the Theory,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2009);

“An Hour of *Stowers*: Exploring an Insurer’s Liability for Failing to Settle Within Policy Limits,” 13th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2008);

“Texas Supreme Court Trends in Insurance Cases,” (author), State Bar of Texas webcast (2008);

“No Prejudice, No Harm: The Texas Supreme Court Takes on Conditions Precedent and Allocation of Settlement Among Carriers,” State Bar of Texas webcast (2008);

“Notice, Prejudice, Conditions Precedent and Consent to Settle Issues,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2008);

“Hot Topics in Insurance Law - What Every Business Lawyer Should Know,” Advanced Business Law, State Bar of Texas (2007);

“*Lamar Homes*: The New Texas Supreme Court Decision,” State Bar of Texas webcast (2007);

“Current Issues in Liability Coverage,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2007);

“Insurance & Ethical Issues Arising from *Frank’s Casing*,” Admiralty & Maritime Law Conference, University of Texas School of Law (2006);

“*Frank’s Casing* and Reimbursement,” Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2006);

“Rounding the Edges - The Duty to Defend,” (author), Advanced Insurance Law, State Bar of Texas (2006);

“Coverage Disputes After *Frank’s Casing*: New Problems and Issues,” Insurance Law for Attorneys Representing Insurers, University of Houston Law Foundation (2005);

"Sea-Change: *Excess Underwriters v. Frank's Casing, Inc.*," State Bar of Texas audiocast seminar (2005);

"Recent Developments in Insurance Coverage Litigation," (contributor), 40 Tort Trial & Ins. Prac. L.J. 521 (2005);

"Duty to Defend: The Eight Corners Rule," Insurance Law for Attorneys Representing Insurers, University of Houston Law Foundation (2004);

"Recent Developments in Texas Insurance," (author) Advanced Civil Trial Practice, State Bar of Texas (2004);

"Insurability of Punitive Damages: Policyholders' Perspective," Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2004);

"Impact of Offers of Settlement Under H.B.- 4 on *Stowers* Issues," (author), Insurance Law for Attorneys Representing Insurers, University of Houston Law Foundation (2003);

"Duty to Indemnify," (author), 8th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2003);

"Duty to Defend: The Eight Corners Rule," (author), Advanced Insurance Seminar, University of Houston Law Foundation (2003);

"Insurance for Trial Attorneys," (author), Advanced Civil Trial Practice, State Bar of Texas (2003);

"Insurance Red Flags: Post-9/11, Corporate Governance, etc.," Representing Corporations in a Changed Legal Environment," University of Houston Law Foundation (2002);

"The Enron Collapse: Case Study of Insurance Implications Beyond D&O Coverage," 7th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2002);

"Choice of Law Issues in Insurance Disputes," Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law (2002);

"Additional Insured and Indemnification Issues in the Oil Patch and Offshore," 6th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (2001);

"Fundamentals of Marine Insurance," (co-author), Admiralty & Maritime Law Conference, University of Texas School of Law (2000);

"Holding the Insurer's Feet to the Fire," (co-author), Preventing & Responding to the Maritime Emergency Seminar, South Texas College of Law (2000);

"Claims-Made Policies: Current Issues," 5th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas

School of Law (2000);

"Declaratory Judgment Actions," 4th Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (1999);

"Strategic Pretrial Choices in Coverage Cases," 3rd Annual Insurance Law Institute, University of Texas School of Law (1998).