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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Visiting Judge, Mediator, Arbitrator	2022=present
Schiffer Hicks Johnson PLLC	2019 – 2022
Judge, 269th District Court, Harris County, Texas	2008 – 2018
290 trials, 15,000+ civil cases	
Steele Sturm, P.L.L.C.	2008
Vinson & Elkins, L.L.P.	1999 –2008
Assistant District Attorney – Dallas County D.A.’s Office	2003
Law Clerk – U.S. District Judge Sim Lake, S.D. Tex.	1997 –1999

CERTIFICATIONS AND AWARDS

- Board Certified—Civil Trial Law (Texas Board of Legal Specialization)
- Member—American Arbitration Association Commercial, Complex, Energy Panels of Arbitrators
- College for Judicial Studies—Civil Jurisprudence (Texas Center for the Judiciary)
- 2013 Outstanding Legal Article Award for “What Law Applies?” (Houston Bar Foundation)

LEADERSHIP

- Chair—Texas Pattern Jury Charges—Oversight Committee, State Bar of Texas (2020-present)
- Director—Texas Center for the Judiciary (2017-2018)
- Co-Chair—Cybersecurity Subcommittee, State Judicial Committee on Info. Tech. (2019-present)
- Chair—Pattern Jury Charge Oversight Subcommittee on Fiduciary Duty (2016-2018)
- Chair—Jury Committee, Harris County Board of District Judges (2017-2018)
- Chair—Technology Committee, Harris County Civil District Courts (2013, 2015-2018)
- Chair—Rules Committee, Harris County Civil District Courts (2013-14)
- Chair—Pretrial Subcommittee, State Bar of Texas Court Rules Committee (2012-13)
- Chair—Houston Bar Association Federal Practice Section (2009-10)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Law Institute
- Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists
- College of the State Bar of Texas
- Texas Bar Fellows
- Houston Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- Aggie Bar Association

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- S.D. Tex.; E.D. Tex.; N.D. Tex.
- State Bar of Texas

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law – Austin, Texas

- J.D. *with Honors*, May 1997
- Articles Editor, TEXAS LAW REVIEW (Volume 75)
- Dean’s Achievement Award: *Highest Grade in Property*

Texas A&M University – College Station, Texas

- B.S. in Electrical Engineering, *Magna Cum Laude*, May 1994
- Buck Weirus Spirit Award for Outstanding Leadership, 1994

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JUDICIAL AND LEGAL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

- American Law Institute (2020-present)
- Texas Pattern Jury Charges—Oversight Committee, State Bar of Texas (2013-present)
- State Judicial Committee on Information Technology, State of Texas (2014-present)
- Board of Directors, Texas Center for the Judiciary (2017-2018)
- Finance Committee, Texas Center for the Judiciary (2016-17)
- Judicial Resources Committee, Texas Center for the Judiciary (2012-13)
- Court Rules Committee, State Bar of Texas (2007-13)

PUBLICATIONS

- “What’d I Miss? An Update on the Texas Pattern Jury Charges,” 31st Annual Conference on State and Federal Appeals, June 10, 2021
- “Special Judges Could Relieve Local Civil Trial Backlog,” *Houston Bus. Journal*, Apr. 26, 2019
- “The Jury Charge,” *Civil Appellate Practice* 101, Sept. 2017 (update of conference material)
- “Motions for Continuance,” *The Advocate*, Fall 2015
- “A Glossary of Common Trial Objections,” *The Houston Lawyer*, July/Aug. 2013
- “What Law Applies?” *The Houston Lawyer*, July/Aug. 2012
- “The Use of iPads by Judges,” *In Chambers*, Fall 2011
- “Conflicts of Privilege,” *Pretrial Practice and Discovery*, Winter 2006
- Note, “Consensual Sentencing in the Magistrate Court,” 75 TEXAS L. REV. 1161 (1997)

JUDICIAL AND CLE PRESENTATIONS

- “What’d I Miss? An Update on the Texas Pattern Jury Charges,” 31st Annual Conference on State and Federal Appeals, June 2021
- “Jury Charges: Perspectives from the Bench and Bar,” HBA Appellate Section, July 2020
- “The Courts’ Role at the Apex of State Power: Public Health Restrictions in the Time of Pandemics,” Houston and Austin Chapters of the Federalist Society, April/May 2020
- “Polishing Your Evidence: Technology in the Courtroom,” HBA Bench-Bar Conference, 2019
- “Trying Your Maritime Case in State Court,” 26th Annual Admiralty and Maritime Law Conference, Sept. 2017
- “Litigation on the Gulf Coast,” Panel Discussion, Marine and Energy Law Conference, Oct. 2017
- “The Jury Charge,” State Bar of Texas Civil Appellate Practice 101 Seminar, Sept. 2017
- “The Ins and Outs of Early Dismissal,” Texas Regional Judicial Conferences, 2017
- “Effective Voir Dire,” several times over many years
- “Implementing, Enforcing, and Amending Discovery Orders,” 2016 Texas Reg’l Judicial Confs.
- “Objection!” Litigation Section, Houston Bar Association, 2015
- “60 Apps in 60 Minutes,” 2015 HBA Bench-Bar Conference; 2012 Texas Judicial Conference
- “iJudging,” Texas Annual Judicial Conference, 2013; Texas Regional Judicial Conferences, 2012
- “There’s an App for That,” Advanced Civil Trial Course, 2012
- “Service in the Third Branch,” George H.W. Bush School of Public Service, Texas A&M University, 2010
- “Interactive Briefs,” DRI Annual Meeting, Oct. 2008
- “Using Treater Depositions to Win the Battle of the Experts,” DRI Drug & Medical Device Seminar, May 2007

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Marathons, Aggie football, history, music