



Hon. Anne Ashby Dallas, Texas

Arbitration, Mediation, and Trial Consulting
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

President, Law Office of Anne Ashby, PLLC, Dallas, Texas

December 31, 2010 - Current

- Dispute Resolution, including Arbitration, Mediation, Witness Preparation and Settlement Conferences; Litigation and Probate Administration.

Of Counsel, Shields Legal Group, P.C., Addison, Texas

February 10, 2014 - Current

- Provide strategic business insight and professional services to entrepreneurs and small to mid-sized Texas based companies.

Mediator, Burdin Mediations, Dallas, Texas

February 2011 - Current

- Act as an objective facilitator. Appointed by the Court or chosen by the parties to expedite a resolution. Carefully assist the parties in settlement regarding all issues or narrow the disputes for trial.

Director, Collins, Basinger & Pullman, P.C., Dallas, Texas

Currently Collins Law Group

April 1, 2009 – December 31, 2010

- Mediator, Litigator and Trial Consultant in a broad range of disputes including, Commercial Litigation and Probate.

Presiding Judge, 134th Judicial District Court, Dallas, Texas

January 1, 1989 – March 31, 2009

- Appointed by Governor Bill Clements and unopposed in next five general elections.
- Presided over complex civil litigation including business, contract, corporate and employment disputes as well as personal injury, professional malpractice, medical malpractice, products liability, toxic tort and real estate cases.
- Major Accomplishments included:
 - Disposed of over 21,498 cases; 244 were tried to a jury verdict.
 - Achieved a 90% overall approval rating in the Dallas Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Poll, 1989.

Presiding Judge, County Court at Law #3, Dallas, Texas

January 1, 1987 – December 31, 1988

- Elected as a Republican, defeating primary opponent and general opponent.
- Presided over civil litigation matters including business and corporate disputes as well as personal injury, condemnation cases, and appeals from Justice of the Peace Court.
- Major accomplishments include:
 - Disposed of 6,700 cases; 49 were tried to a jury verdict.
 - Achieved the highest rating among the County Court at Law Judges in the Dallas Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Poll, 1987

Litigator, Smith and Underwood, P.C., Dallas, Texas

Currently Underwood Perkins, P.C.

March 1986 – December 1986

- Business, real estate, probate, and family law litigation

Master/Referee, 304th Judicial District Court, Dallas, Texas

August 15, 1982 – February 30, 1986

- Presided over hearings and trials regarding juvenile delinquents and child abuse.
- Major accomplishments include:
 - Achieved a 92% approval rating, the highest rating among peers in the Dallas Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Poll.

Assistant District Attorney, Dallas County District Attorney's Office, Dallas, Texas

1980-1982

- Prosecuted and investigated cases involving juvenile delinquents and child abuse.
- Served under leadership of Henry S. Wade.

Administrative Assistant/Law Clerk, Probate Court No. 3, Harris County, Texas

1978-1979

- Law Clerk for Hon. James E. Scanlan, Administrative Assistant, and employee of Harris County clerk's office.

EDUCATION

- South Texas College of Law, Houston, Texas - August 1976 - May 1979
 - Doctor of Juris Prudence
- University of Texas, Austin, Texas - August 1974 - May 1975
 - Bachelors of Business Administration
- West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas - August 1971- Spring 1974
 - (formerly West Texas State University)
 - Pre-requisites for Marketing & Business Degree

LICENSES, ADMISSIONS & AFFILIATIONS

- Admitted to Practice in 1979, State Bar of Texas
- Admitted to Practice in 1981, United States District Court Northern District of Texas
- Admitted to Practice in 2013, United States District Court Eastern District of Texas
- Dallas Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Collin County Bar Association
- Rockwall County Bar Association
- Chancellor's Committee, University of Texas
- Zeta Tau Alpha Alumni Association
- Littlefield Society, University of Texas at Austin
- University of Texas Exes, Lifetime Member

LEGAL PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Fellow (FCIArb), 2016 - Current
- Texas Mediator Credentialing Association, Distinguished Credentialed Mediator, 2017
- Texas Mediator Credentialing Association, Advanced Credentialed Mediator, 2016
- Texas Mediator Credentialing Association, Credentialed Mediator, 2010 – 2015

- American Arbitration Association (AAA), 2010 - Current
 - Asbestos Panel
 - Commercial Large-Complex Panel
 - Consumer Panel
 - Mediation Panel
 - Labor & Employment Panel
 - Judicial Settlement Conference Service
 - Healthcare Panel
 - Non-Subscriber Panel
 - Judicial Panel
- Houston Maritime Arbitrators Association, 2015 - 2017
- Judicial Workplace Arbitrations, Inc., Judicial Panel of Arbitrators, 2013 - Current
- DII Industries, LLC, ADR Administration, Panel of Arbitrators, 2015 - Current
- FORUM f/k/a National Arbitration Forum (NAF), 2016 – Current
- American Health Lawyers Association, 2016 - Current
- Center for American & International Law, Associate Member, 2009 – Current

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- College of the State Bar of Texas, 27-Year Maintaining Member
- Co-Chair, Alternative Dispute Resolution, State Bar of Texas, 2011
- Co-Chair, Advanced Expert Witness Course IV, State Bar of Texas, 2004
- Co-Chair, Advanced Personal Injury Course, State Bar of Texas 1997
- Served on faculties for continuing legal education:
 - The University of Houston Law Center
 - Southern Methodist University School of Law
 - South Texas College of Law
 - The University of Texas at Austin
 - The State Bar of Texas Professional Development
 - Continuing Education Programs
- Presiding Judge, Masters in Trial Series, American Board of Trial Advocates, 1995

BAR-RELATED SERVICE

- American Bar Association, Women in Dispute Resolution (WIDR), 2016
- State Bar of Texas ADR Section Council, 2009 - 2011
- Trial Insurance Practice (TIPS) mentoring program for young lawyers, 2016
- Transition to Law Practice – DBA Mentor Program, 2009 and 2010
- Dallas Bar Association Library Committee, 2008 - 2009
- Dallas Bar Association Judicial Investiture Committee, 2007-2008, 1995-1996
- Dallas Bar Association Bench Bar Conference, Co- Chair, 2008, 1997
- Dallas Bar Association Judiciary Committee, Co-Chair, 2001
- Dallas Bar Association Judicial Liaison, ADR Committee, 1995
- Life Founding Fellow of the DAYL, 2002 – Present
- Dallas Bar Foundation Fellow and Charter Member, 1992 – Current
- Texas Bar Foundation Life Fellow, 1988 – Current

COURT-RELATED SERVICE

- Dallas County Juvenile Board, 2002
- Asbestos Judge, Dallas Civil District Court Judges, 1996-1997
- Southern Methodist University School of Law Judicial Clerk Pilot Program, 1996
- Presiding Judge, Central Jury Room, 1995
- Presiding Judge, Dallas Civil District Court Judges, 1992-1995
- Mentored 40 Law Clerks, 1989-2009

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Member/Volunteer, Entrepreneurs of North Texas, Shields Legal Group, P.C.
 - Entrepreneurs of North Texas program Minnie's Food Pantry - helping distribute free meals to families in need of food, 2014
 - Entrepreneurs of North Texas literacy program "Readathon" - assisting bilingual students at the Lorenzo De Zavala Elementary School, 2014
- Board Member, Executive Women of Dallas
- Sustaining Member, Junior League of Dallas
- T. Boone Pickens Leadership Institute; Junior League of Dallas, 2012
- Dallas/Riga Lawyers Exchange Committee & Partnership Program, 1992

PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Spoke to 110 audiences including the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Texas. Presented, taught and served on panels throughout the nation including: "Arbitration in Texas, Practically Speaking", Lloyds of London, LMA Academy, 2016; Moderator of DBA Texas Trial Legends, Dallas Bar Association, 2016; "Arbitration: Practically Speaking", Collin County Bar Association, 2015; "Texas Court Judicial Recusal and Disqualification", Webcast, State Bar of Texas, 2009; "The Stages of Mediation: Conflict, Communication and Compromise", Dallas Bar Association, ADR Section, Dallas, Texas, 2009; "How Should I Deal with My Opponent's Expert Witness Report? Cross Examining Experts and Arguing Daubert Issues", Panel Presentation, ABA Section of Labor & Employment Law, 3rd Annual CLE Conference, Washington, D.C., 2009; Lincoln on Professionalism-Panel Presentation, Texas Institute of Continuing Legal Education, Dallas, Texas, 2009; "Objections to Evidence", State Bar of Texas, 28th Annual Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas, 2005; "Profile of a Professional Human Resource Manager: How to be Credible without Growing Old", Texas Employment Law & AR Forum, 2009.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Fellow, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators; 2016 - Current
- AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell; 2009 – Current
- Pro Bono Pledge, State Bar of Texas, 2017
- The Dallas Bar Association Resolution: "Outstanding Judicial Service;" 2009
- Texas 4-H Alumni Award; 2003
- Angels of Dallas Award, Today's Dallas Women Magazine; December, 2002
- Advocates (ABOTA), a professional organization comprised of trial lawyers, representing both plaintiffs and defendants; 2001
- Consumer of the Year Award for Humanitarianism, Texas Nursing Association, District 4; 1999
- Prestigious "Judge of the Year" Award presented by the American Board of Trial Advocates, 2001

PERSONAL

Married to Michael Duren, M.D., with children and grandchildren and 2 incredibly smart dogs and 1 intellectual Siamese kitty.

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