# UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUDICIAL NOMINEES

## **PUBLIC**

1. Name: State full name (include any former names used).

Karen Gren Scholer (formerly Karen Gren Johnson and Karen Anne Gren)

2. <u>Position</u>: State the position for which you have been nominated.

United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas

3. <u>Address</u>: List current office address. If city and state of residence differs from your place of employment, please list the city and state where you currently reside.

Carter Scholer Arnett Hamada & Mockler, PLLC 8150 North Central Expressway, Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75206

4. Birthplace: State year and place of birth.

1957; Tokyo, Japan

5. <u>Education</u>: List in reverse chronological order each college, law school, or any other institution of higher education attended and indicate for each the dates of attendance, whether a degree was received, and the date each degree was received.

1979 – 1982, Cornell Law School; J.D., 1982

1975 – 1979, Rice University; B.A., 1979

6. <u>Employment Record</u>: List in reverse chronological order all governmental agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms, or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions or organizations, non-profit or otherwise, with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or employee since graduation from college, whether or not you received payment for your services. Include the name and address of the employer and job title or description.

2014 – Present Carter Scholer Arnett Hamada & Mockler, PLLC (formerly Carter Scholer Stafford Arnett Hamada & Mockler, PLLC) 8150 North Central Expressway, Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75206 Co-Managing Partner (2015 – present) Principal (2014 – present)

2014 – Present American Arbitration Association Galleria North Tower Two 13727 Noel Road, Suite 700 Dallas, Texas 75240 Arbitrator & Mediator

2009 – 2013 Jones Day 2727 North Harwood Street Dallas, Texas 75201 Partner

2013
Tenth Court of Appeals
McLennan County Courthouse
501 Washington Avenue, Room 415
Waco, Texas 76701

Commissioned by the Governor of the State of Texas for Case No. 10-13-00009-CV Justice

2001 – 2008
95th Judicial District Court
600 Commerce Street, Sixth Floor
Dallas, Texas 75202
State District Judge (2001 – 2008)
Presiding Judge, Dallas County Civil District Judges (2007)

1996 – 2000 Andrews & Kurth, LLP 1717 Main Street, Suite 3700 Dallas, Texas 75201 Of Counsel (June – December 2000) Partner (1996 – 2000)

1982 – 1996; Summer 1981 Strasburger & Price, LLP 901 Main Street, Suite 4400 Dallas, Texas 75202 Partner (1989 – 1996) Associate (1982 – 1988) Summer Associate (Summer 1981) 1981 – 1982 Cornell University Myron Taylor Hall Ithaca, New York 14853 Teaching Assistant

Summer 1981 Stutzman, Bromberg, Esserman & Plifka 2323 Bryan Street, Suite 2200 Dallas, Texas 75201 Summer Associate

Summer 1980 Rain Harrell Emery Young & Doke (now defunct) Dallas, Texas Summer Associate

Summer 1979 Houston Hurricane Professional Soccer Club, Inc. (now defunct) Houston, Texas Office Assistant & Administrative Camp Director

Approximately August 1979
I do not recall name or address of restaurant
Houston, Texas
Part-Time Waitress

# Other Affiliations (uncompensated):

2003 – 2012 Dallas Bar Foundation Fellows 2101 Ross Avenue Dallas, Texas 75201 Chair (2012) Vice Chair (2011) Secretary/Treasurer (2010)

2003 – 2012 State Bar of Texas Texas Law Center 1414 Colorado Street Austin, Texas 78701 Litigation Section Council Member 1995 – 2009 Camp John Marc 2929 Carlisle Street, Suite 355 Dallas, Texas 75204 Executive Board Member and Officer (1996 – 2009) Board Member (1995)

Approximately 2002 – 2008 Asian American Forum (now defunct) Dallas, Texas Board Member

2007
Dallas Bar Association
2101 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75201
Board Member

2004 – 2007 Association of Rice Alumni Development & Alumni Relations 6100 Main Street Houston, Texas 77005 Board Member

2003 – 2007 The Cornell Law School Alumni Association 260 Myron Taylor Hall 524 College Avenue Ithaca, New York 14853 Executive Board Member

1998 – 2001 Dallas Women's Foundation 8150 North Central Expressway, Suite 110 Dallas, Texas 75206 Trustee

1995 – 1997 Literacy Instruction for Texas 1510 South Malcolm X Boulevard Dallas, Texas 75226 Board Member and Officer (1995) Executive Board Member and Officer (1996 – 1997) 7. <u>Military Service and Draft Status</u>: Identify any service in the U.S. Military, including dates of service, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number (if different from social security number) and type of discharge received, and whether you have registered for selective service.

I have never served in the military. I was not required to register for selective service.

8. <u>Honors and Awards</u>: List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honors, honorary society memberships, military awards, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement.

Dallas Bar Foundation Life Fellow (2003 – 2012), Life Benefactor Fellow (2012 – present)

Texas Bar Foundation Life Fellow (approximately 2008 – present)

The Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent<sup>™</sup> (5.0 out of 5) Peer Review Rating (rated by Martindale-Hubbell from 1991 – present)

The Best Lawyers in America in Commercial Litigation (2012 – 2016)

Best Lawyers Business Edition Women in the Law – Commercial Litigation (2016)

D Magazine Best Lawyers in Dallas (2011 – 2016)

Thompson Reuters' Super Lawyers® Texas (2011 – 2016)

Thompson Reuters' Super Lawyers® The Top 50 Women Lawyers Texas (2012, 2013)

D Magazine Best Women Lawyers (2010)

Dallas Asian American Bar Association Lifetime Achievement Award (2008)

Dallas Ft. Worth Asian-American Citizens Council You Are Always Here for Us Award (2008)

Dallas Women Lawyers Association Louise B. Raggio Award (2007)

Dallas Ft. Worth Asian-American Citizens Council Civil Servant of the Year Award (2007)

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Trailblazer Award (2006)

State Bar of Texas Asian Pacific Interest Section Justice David Wellington Chew Award (2005) Girls, Incorporated, She Knows Where She's Going Award (2004)

Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce Judicial Excellence Award (2004)

Dallas Ft. Worth Asian-American Citizens Council Role Model Award for Outstanding Public & Community Service (2001)

Rice University Board of Governors Scholar (1978 – 1979)

Rice University Ernest R. Rechel Memorial Scholar (1978 – 1979)

Rice University President's Honor Roll (1976 – 1978)

9. <u>Bar Associations</u>: List all bar associations or legal or judicial-related committees, selection panels or conferences of which you are or have been a member, and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups.

American Bar Association

Dallas Asian American Bar Association

Dallas Bar Association

Co-Chair, Judiciary Committee (2016)

Program Director, Inspiring Women Seminar & Luncheon (2008 – 2015)

Co-Vice Chair, Judiciary Committee (2015)

Co-Chair, Ethics Committee (2008)

Board of Directors (2007)

Co-Chair, In-Town Bench Bar Conference (2005)

Joint Task Force on Professionalism (2005)

Co-Chair, Bench Bar Conference (2003)

Morris Harrell Professionalism Committee (2003)

Co-Vice Chair, Bench Bar Conference (2002)

Dallas Bar Foundation Fellows

Chair (2012)

Vice Chair (2011)

Secretary/Treasurer (2010)

Life Benefactor Fellow (2012 – present)

Life Fellow (2003 - 2012)

Dallas Women Lawyers Association

William "Mac" Taylor American Inn of Court Master (2001 – 2009) National Asian Pacific American Bar Association

Judicial Council (2001 – 2008)

Co-Chair, NAPABA 16th Annual Convention (2004)

Secretary, Judicial Council (2001)

The State Bar of Texas

Editorial Board, THE ADVOCATE (2004 – Present)

Council Member, Litigation Section (2003 – 2012)

Co-Director, 29th Annual Advanced Civil Trial Course (2006)

Planning Committee, Annual Advanced Civil Trial Course (2006 – approximately 2014)

## 10. Bar and Court Admission:

a. List the date(s) you were admitted to the bar of any state and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership.

Texas, 1982

There has been no lapse in membership.

b. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, including dates of admission and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require special admission to practice.

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, 1986 United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, 1982 United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, 1990 United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, 1992

My membership in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas permanently lapsed in 2002 because I chose not to renew my membership as I was a sitting judge and no longer practicing there. This was the only one of the memberships that required a renewal while I was on the bench. There have been no other lapses in membership.

## 11. Memberships:

a. List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations, other than those listed in response to Questions 9 or 10 to which you belong, or to which you have belonged, since graduation from law school. Provide dates of membership or participation, and indicate any office you held. Include clubs, working groups, advisory or editorial boards, panels, committees, conferences, or publications.

Asian American Forum (now defunct)
Board of Directors (approximately 2002 – 2008)

Association of Rice Alumni Board of Directors (2004 – 2007)

Attorneys Serving the Community (1992 – 2015) Co-Chair (1992 – 1994) Charity Screening Chair (1994 – 1998)

City of Dallas Asian American Cultural Center Steering Committee (2011)

The Cornell Law School Alumni Association Executive Board of Directors (2003 – 2007)

The Dallas Assembly (2001 – present)

Dallas Ft. Worth Asian American Citizens Council (2000 – present) Honorary Advisory Board (2000 – 2008)

Dallas Women's Foundation (1994 – 2001)

Board of Trustees (1998 – 2001)

Vice Chair, Grants Administration (2000)

Grants Distribution Committee (1994 – 1995)

Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce (approximately 2000 – 2013)

Advisory Board (approximately 2004 – 2008)

LEADERSHIP Dallas (1993 – 1994)

Literacy Instruction for Texas (1995 – 1997)

Board Member and Officer (1995)

Executive Board Member and Officer (1996 – 1997)

Special Camps for Special Kids – Camp John Marc (1995 – 2009) Executive Board and Officer (1996 – 2009) Board of Directors (1995)

Sun and Star Japanese American Festival (1996) Co-Chair, Advisory Board (1996)

Tom Landry/Baylor Fitness Center Advisory Board (approximately 1995 – 1996)

# Victims Outreach (1993 – approximately 2008) Advisory Board

b. The American Bar Association's Commentary to its Code of Judicial Conduct states that it is inappropriate for a judge to hold membership in any organization that invidiously discriminates on the basis of race, sex, or religion, or national origin. Indicate whether any of these organizations listed in response to 11a above currently discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies. If so, describe any action you have taken to change these policies and practices.

Attorneys Serving the Community ("ASC") is a volunteer organization of women lawyers and law students from the Dallas-Fort Worth area with a mission to bring together women lawyers to serve the non-profit community. ASC also is committed to providing its members with leadership and networking opportunities as it carries out its primary mission of serving the community. Dallas Women's Foundation is the largest regional women's fund in the world with a mission to invest in women and girls and empower women's philanthropy to build a better world. I believe both of these organizations restrict their membership to women.

## 12. Published Writings and Public Statements:

a. List the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces, or other published material you have written or edited, including material published only on the Internet. Supply four (4) copies of all published material to the Committee.

When I ran for judge in 2000, I had a campaign website. The website is no longer active and I have no records of its contents. Much of the content was not developed by me, although I contributed biographical and other background information.

With Susan C. Cox, "Ethics Do's and Don'ts for the Dirt Lawyer," State Bar of Texas, Advanced Real Estate Law Course (August 11, 2011). Copy supplied. I was scheduled to be a co-presenter with Ms. Cox at the Advanced Real Estate Law Course; however, a conflict arose that prevented me from doing so. Although my name appears on this paper, I did not draft it or provide significant edits. I did approve its content and allowed my name to be listed for the program expecting to speak.

With Timothy E. Taylor, *Products Liability*, Texas Torts Handbook, James Publishing, Inc. (Stephanie Ostrove, et al. Eds., 1998). Copy supplied.

Letters to the Editor: An Open Letter to the Women of Brown College, THE RICE THRESHER, Apr. 5, 1979, at 2. Copy supplied.

Since 2004, I have served on the Editorial Board of the State Bar of Texas Litigation Section Report publication, The Advocate. The section report publishes four quarterly publications per year. As a member of the Editorial Board, I assisted in selecting the topics and authors for each issue, although I did not write or edit any articles.

b. Supply four (4) copies of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of on behalf of any bar association, committee, conference, or organization of which you were or are a member. If you do not have a copy of a report, memorandum or policy statement, give the name and address of the organization that issued it, the date of the document, and a summary of its subject matter.

None.

c. Supply four (4) copies of any testimony, official statements or other communications relating, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, that you have issued or provided or that others presented on your behalf to public bodies or public officials.

None.

d. Supply four (4) copies, transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you, including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.

2009 – 2016: Guest Instructor, "Intensive Trial Advocacy Program," Notre Dame Law School, Notre Dame, Indiana. The program taught all aspects of trying a lawsuit to a judge and jury, from jury selection to closing argument. I participate once or twice a year in every year I am able, without compensation, to further the goal of assisting the administration of justice through the development of competent trial lawyers. A representative syllabus from 2016 is supplied.

July 17, 2015: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Eighth Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

May 18, 2015: Speaker, Address and Administration of Oath of Office to Elected Trustees, Richardson Independent School District Board of Trustees Meeting,

Richardson, Texas. Board minutes supplied.

April 14, 2015: Panelist, "The State of the Texas Judiciary," United States Chamber Litigation Center of the United States Chamber of Commerce, Austin, Texas. The panel addressed trends in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the United States Litigation Center is 1615 H Street Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia 20062.

April 9, 2015: Panelist, "Learning to Succeed: Unlocking Personal and Professional Success Through Networking, Mentorship and Community Involvement," Transition to Law Practice Program, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

November 7, 2014: Panelist, "Maintaining the Scale Between Home and Work as Partner," National Asian Pacific American Law Students Association, Phoenix, Arizona. Outline supplied.

August 21, 2014: Moderator, Judicial Panel: "Do's and Don'ts," State Bar of Texas Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

July 16, 2014: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Seventh Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

August 23, 2013: Moderator, Judges Panel Discussion: "Quality Lawyering and Avoiding Sanctions," State Bar of Texas Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

August 23, 2013: Moderator, Appellate Justices Panel Discussion: "Avoidable Mistakes in the Trial Courts," State Bar of Texas Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

June 28, 2013: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Sixth Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

June 20, 2013: Moderator, "The Legal Landscape for Minority Investors Circa 2013: Recent Developments Regarding Claims by Minority Shareholders in Public & Private Companies," State Bar of Texas, Annual Meeting, Business Law & Corporate Counsel Law Sections, Dallas, Texas. Outline, PowerPoint, and handout supplied.

November 13, 2012: Question & Answer Session Participant, The Post-Election Future, Jones Lang LaSalle, Dallas, Texas. Transcript supplied.

November 9, 2012: Panelist, "Judicial Panel," Receiverships in Texas 2012, State

Bar of Texas, Austin, Texas. The panel addressed the receiverships in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

August 24, 2012: Speaker and Moderator, "I Object & Beyond," State Bar of Texas Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

June 27, 2012: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Fifth Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 27, 2012 and May 25, 2012: Speaker and Moderator, "Quality Lawyering from the Judges – 'What They Didn't Teach You in Law School," Advanced Evidence and Discovery Course, State Bar of Texas, Dallas, Texas and San Antonio, Texas. The panel addressed best lawyer practices in the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

March 28, 2012: "Recognition of Life Patrons Fellows and Class of 2012 Fellows" 21st Annual Luncheon, Dallas Bar Foundation, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

January 19, 2012: Speaker, "Techniques and Practical Tips for Jury Selection," Litigation Update Institute, State Bar of Texas, Dallas, Texas. Handout supplied.

October 14, 2011: Speaker and Moderator, "It's All Business: The Ethics of Lawyer-Judge Interactions in the Context of Business Torts," State Bar of Texas Business Torts Institute, Houston, Texas. Handout supplied.

October 5, 2011: Speaker, "Practice Tips: Getting What You Want from the Court," Dallas Bar Association (to the best of my recollection), Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

August 26, 2011: Speaker and Moderator, "Judges Ethics Panel," Advanced Civil Trial Course, State Bar of Texas, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

June 10, 2011: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Fourth Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 1, 2011: Panelist, "Expert Witnesses: What Works and What Doesn't," Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Austin, Texas. Speech supplied.

February 18, 2011: Speaker and Moderator, "Views on Professionalism from the Trial Bench: How A Better Understanding Will Improve Your Advocacy," J. Reuben Clark Law Society 2011 Conference, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

November 13, 2010: Keynote Speaker, "Bridging the Gap Between Our Heritage & Success," Asian Pacific American Empowerment Conference, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas. Notes supplied.

October 21, 2010: Panelist, "Do's and Don'ts for Appellate Lawyers in the Trial Courts and on Appeal," Appellate Law October Fest, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed best lawyer practices with an eye toward appeal in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

October 14, 2010: Moderator, "Update from the Judiciary," 19th Annual Bench Bar Conference, Dallas Bar Association, Horseshoe Bay, Texas. Outline supplied.

September 16, 2010: Speaker, "Honor Council Induction Remarks to the Upper School," Episcopal School of Dallas, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

July 15, 2010: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Third Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

May 4, 2010: Speaker, "Power 2010," Dallas County Council of Republican Women, Dallas, Texas. The speech was on the impact of women voters in elections. I have no notes, transcript or recording. The address for the Dallas County Council of Republican Women is 10300 North Central Expressway, #345, Dallas, Texas 75231.

July 31, 2009: Moderator, "Do's and Don'ts from the Federal Judges," State Bar of Texas, Advanced Civil Trial Course, San Antonio, Texas. Outline supplied.

June 11, 2009: Keynote Speaker, Minority Clerk Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

May 30, 2009: Introductions and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," Second Annual Inspiring Women Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

Approximately 2009: Speaker, Candidates' Forum, Park Cities Republican Women, Dallas, Texas. I introduced candidates for a candidates' forum. I have no notes, transcript or recording. The address for the Park Cities Republican Women is 25 Highland Park Village, 100-840, Dallas, Texas 75205.

October 22, 2008: Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient and Speaker, Remarks at "Frist Annual DAABA Night at the Museum: Awards, Corporate Counsel and Local Business," Dallas Asian American Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Notes supplied. August 27, 2008, and September 18, 2008: Speaker and Panelist, "Advanced Strategies & Techniques: Expert Testimony Ten Years After Robinson," State Bar of Texas Annual Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas and San Antonio, Texas. Handout supplied.

September 5, 2008: Speaker, Judicial Investiture of Catharina Haynes as Judge of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Notes supplied.

June 11, 2008: Moderator and Panelist, "Inspiring Women: Humor & War Stories to Reach the Top of Your Game," First Annual Inspiring Women's Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 4, 2008: Luncheon Speaker, "Ethics in the Courtroom for New Lawyers," Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Inc., Dallas, Texas. I spoke on professionalism in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Inc. is 400 West 15th Street, Suite 420, Austin, Texas 78701.

March 28, 2008: Welcome Speaker, "Ethics & Professionalism," Basics of Law Practice Course, State Bar of Texas, Dallas, Texas. I addressed ethics and professionalism in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

2001 – 2008 (for several years during that time period): Speaker & Discussion Leader, "Eggs & Ethics," Dallas Bar Association, Horseshoe Bay, Texas. I addressed ethics and professionalism in the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

August 22, 2007, and October 31, 2007: Panelist, "Courtroom Ethics for Muggles: View from the Bench," Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed ethics and professionalism in the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

September 21, 2007: Panelist, "The Ethics of Lawyer-Judge Interactions," The Ethics Course of the Texas Center for Legal Ethics, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed ethics and professionalism in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Texas Center for Legal Ethics is 1414 Colorado, Fourth Floor, Austin, Texas 78701.

August 30, 2007 and October 18, 2007: Moderator, "Voir Dire," State Bar of Texas Annual Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas and Austin, Texas. The

panel addressed jury selection in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

July 19, 2007: Moderator, "Voir Dire: Strategies After Cortez and Hyundai," State Bar of Texas Advanced Personal Injury Law Course, Dallas, Texas. PowerPoint and notes supplied.

June 2007: Panelist, "What Works (and What Doesn't Work) in Litigation: Tips for Experts from the Bench and Bar," National Litigation Support Services Association, Las Vegas, Nevada. The panel addressed effective use of expert witnesses in depositions and courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the National Litigation Support Services Association is 111 East Wacker Drive, Suite 990, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

May 3, 2007: Panelist, "Do's & Don'ts for the Advocate in the Trial Court and Court of Appeals," State Bar of Texas Advanced Evidence & Discovery Course, Irving, Texas. The panel addressed best lawyer practices in the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

February 22, 2007: Moderator/Facilitator, Professional Responsibility Program, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, State Bar of Texas Litigation Council, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed professionalism and ethics in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

January 18, 2007: Panelist, Dallas Bar Association Labor & Employment Symposium, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed best lawyer practices in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

2006 and 2007: Guest Lecturer, "Dilemmas in Legal Ethics" Class, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas. I gave a lecture once each year that focused on ethical issues that come up in the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law is 3315 Daniel Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75206.

November 11, 2006: Recipient and Speaker, Trailblazers Award Ceremony, 18th Annual National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Convention, Washington, District of Columbia. I made thank you remarks for the award. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association is 1612 K Street Northwest, Suite 1400, Washington, District of Columbia 20006.

October 14, 2006: Panelist, "Conversation on Leadership," Cornell University Alumni Association, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed leadership in business and in the community. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Cornell University Alumni Association is Office of Alumni Affairs, 130 East Seneca Street, Suite 400, Ithaca, New York 14850.

August 30 – September 1, 2006: Announcements and Remarks as Co-Director, State Bar of Texas Advanced Civil Trial Course, Dallas, Texas. I introduced the program and speakers, and made announcements. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

April 23, 2005: Recipient and Speaker, Justice David Willington Chew Award Ceremony, Asian Pacific Interest Section, State Bar of Texas, Austin, Texas. I made thank you remarks for the award. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

2005: Moderator, Judges Panel, In-Town Bench Bar Conference, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed best lawyer practices in the Dallas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

November 11 – 13, 2004: Introductions and Chairperson Remarks, 16th Annual Convention, National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. I gave introductions and made remarks in my capacity as a chairperson of the convention throughout the course of the convention. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association is 1612 K Street Northwest, Suite 1400, Washington, District of Columbia 20006.

May 14, 2004: Keynote Speaker, "Asian-American Heritage Month: Freedom for All: A Nation We Call Our Own," Dallas Independent School District, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 14, 2004: Award Recipient and Speaker, Remarks at "She Knows Where She's Going Awards Luncheon," Girls Inc., Dallas, Texas. Speech supplied.

March 25, 2004: Guest Lecturer, "Women in Politics" Class, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. The lecture focused on my experience running for elected office. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Southern Methodist University is 6425 Boaz Lane, Dallas, Texas 75205.

February 26, 2002, and approximately February 18, 2004: Guest Lecturer, "Alternative Dispute Resolution" Class, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas. The lectures focused on the use of mediation by the

courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law is 3315 Daniel Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75206.

Fall 2003: Speaker, Re-Election Campaign Fundraiser, Dallas, Texas. I spoke to campaign donors and thanked them for supporting my re-election campaign. I have no notes, transcript or recording. The event was sponsored by Karen Johnson for Judge Campaign at the Dallas Bar Association, whose address is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

August 28, 2003, and October 9, 2003: Moderator, Luncheon Presentation, Advanced Civil Trial Course State Bar of Texas, "Ethical Intricacies of the Attorney/Judge Relationship: What's O.K. and What's Not," Dallas, Texas and Austin, Texas. Handout supplied.

September 26, 2003: Keynote Speaker, "Building Stronger Communities," Diversity: The Focus, A Working Conference, Dallas, Texas. I used the same outline provided below for the September 15, 2001 event.

May 2, 2003: Panelist "The Ethics of Lawyer-Judge Interactions," Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Handout supplied.

April 19, 2003: Panelist, "Becoming a Lawyer," Asian-American Youth in Dallas/Fort Worth, Dallas Asian American Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed how to succeed as a young lawyer. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

February 6, 2003: Speaker, Administration of Oath of Office to Officers and Directors, Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce, Installation Luncheon, Dallas, Texas. I addressed the officers and directors and administered the oath of office to them. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce is 7610 North Stemmons Freeway, Suite 690, Dallas, Texas 75247.

November 19, 2002: Speaker, "Judicial Elections," Irving Republican Club, Irving, Texas. I spoke generally on how judges run for office in Texas. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The organization is now defunct.

September 19, 2002: Luncheon Speaker, Fall Meeting & Seminar on Medical Liability, "Ethics: A Judicial Perspective," Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

August 15, 2002: Keynote Speaker, "The Impact of Teachers," Superintendent's Convocation, Richardson Independent School District, Richardson, Texas. Outline supplied.

May 17, 2002: Keynote Speaker, "Unity in Freedom," Asian Pacific-American Heritage Month, III Army Corps Headquarters, Fort Hood, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 9, 2002: Panelist & Moderator, "Ethics," William "Mac" Taylor American Inn of Court, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 2002: Panelist, "Selected Ethics Opinions," Dallas Bar Association Judiciary Committee, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed ethics and professionalism. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

December 11, 2001: Speaker, "Practice in the Civil District Courts," Dallas Bar Association Business Litigation Section, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

October 24, 2001: Guest Lecturer, "Alternative Dispute Resolution" class, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas. The lecture focused on the use of mediation by the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law is 3315 Daniel Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75206.

September 29, 2001: Speaker, Mid-Autumn Moon Festival, All Asian American Cultural & Educational Foundation, Dallas, Texas. I spoke on community involvement. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I do not have an address for the organization.

September 15, 2001: Keynote Speaker, Inaugural Banquet, Dallas Ft. Worth Asian American Citizens Council, Richardson, Texas. Outline supplied.

July 19, 2001, Speaker, "How to Succeed as a Busy Woman in a Busy World," Lake Cities Republican Women, Royce City, Texas. I generally discussed the balancing act for working women with a family and service to their communities. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The organization is now defunct.

June 8, 2001, Keynote Speaker, Minority Clerkship Luncheon, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

June 2, 2001, Speaker, Collin County Bench/Bar Conference, "Effective Discovery," Collin County Bar Association, Plano, Texas. Outline supplied.

April 20, 2001: Speaker, "Tips on Succeeding in Life," Texas Healthcare Resources, Arlington, Texas. Outline supplied.

March 29 – 31, 2001, Keynote Speaker, Southern Methodist University, Asian American Leadership and Educational Conference Dallas, Texas. I spoke on

leadership and succeeding in business and life. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Asian American Leadership Conference is Southern Methodist University, 6425 Boaz Lane, Dallas, Texas 75205.

March 26, 2001: Speaker, "Outreach to the Asian American community," Westlake Republican Women, Dallas, Texas. I generally discussed my involvement with the Asian American community. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The organization is now defunct.

January 26, 2001: Speaker, Investiture as Judge of the 95th Judicial District Court, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

January 21, 2001: Panelist, "From the Judges: Best and Worst Practices," Litigation Update Institute, State Bar of Texas, Dallas, Texas. The panel addressed professionalism and ethics in the Texas courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the State Bar of Texas is 1414 Colorado Street, Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78701.

November 9, 2000: Keynote Speaker, "Bridging the Cultural Divide: Pathways to Success," Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce, Dallas, Texas. I spoke on success in the workplace and the balancing act. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce is 7610 North Stemmons Freeway, Suite 690, Dallas, Texas 75247.

October 3, 2000: Panelist, "Women's Suffrage Movement," VoTexas Kickoff, Texas Young Lawyers Association & Dallas Independent School District, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

September 8, 2000: Speaker, "Our Judiciary & the Judicial Election Process," Dallas City Attorney's Office, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

From approximately June of 1999 through March of 2000, I ran for judge of the 95th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas, in the Republican primary against the incumbent who previously held that position. In the process of campaigning for election, I gave countless stump speeches before law firms, civic organizations, Asian American and other minority organizations and clubs, women's organizations and clubs, local bar associations, and all of the Republican organizations and clubs throughout Dallas County to discuss my candidacy and raise funds. I would speak nearly every day and often several times in one day, and I participated in countless candidates' forums. My remarks at these events were extemporaneous and brief. After searching my files and the Internet, I have identified below the specific dates (and corresponding sponsoring organization, if any) of particular speaking opportunities, though there may have been speaking engagements that I have been unable to recall or identify. In my remarks, I would have discussed my qualifications, asked for support and thanked contributors. I

have no notes, transcripts or recordings of these events.

December 12, 2000: Speaker, reception in my honor sponsored by the Dallas Asian American Bar Association at a local restaurant.

May 10, 2000: Speaker, campaign fundraiser sponsored by the Karen Johnson for Judge Campaign at a local restaurant.

March 14, 2000: Speaker, reception for supporters on election night at a local hotel.

February 16, 2000: Speaker, reception in my honor sponsored by private individuals at a local country club.

February 13, 2000: Speaker, campaign fundraiser sponsored by private individuals at a private residence.

February 11, 2000: Speaker, candidates' forum sponsored by the Dallas Bar Association Business Litigation Section.

February 8, 2000: Speaker, candidates' forum sponsored by the Southwest Dallas County Republicans at a town center.

February 2000: Speaker, Candidates' Forum, Garland Republican Women's Club, Garland, Texas. Press coverage supplied.

January 25, 2000: Speaker, campaign fundraiser sponsored by Asian Americans for Karen Johnson, a group of Asian American lawyers, at a local restaurant.

December 14, 1999: Speaker, campaign fundraiser sponsored by the Karen Johnson for Judge Campaign at a private residence.

December 7, 1999: Speaker, campaign fundraiser sponsored by Voice of Asian Americans, a group of Asian American leaders, at a local restaurant.

December 5, 1999: Speaker, open house, meet & greet and campaign fundraiser sponsored by private individuals at a private residence.

November 20, 1999: Speaker, precinct chair appreciation dinner sponsored by the Karen Johnson for Judge Campaign in my home.

November 18, 1999: Speaker, campaign fundraiser sponsored by private individuals at a private residence.

July 29, 1999: Speaker, business leaders' reception and campaign

fundraiser, sponsored by private individuals at a private residence.

November 13, 1998: Speaker, "Perspectives on Being a Partner," Asian American Law Students Association, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

July 14, 1998: Speaker, "Tips on Getting Ahead," Dallas Asian American Bar Association, Dallas, Texas. Outline supplied.

February 7, 1996: Speaker, "Preparing for and Trying the Post-Accident Vehicular Fire Case," 1996 Products Liability Seminar, Defense Research Institute, San Francisco, California. Speech supplied.

May 6, 1994: Speaker, Introduction of Barbara Bush and Closing Remarks, Luncheon Benefiting Camp John Marc, Attorneys Serving the Community, Dallas, Texas. Speech supplied.

April 8, 1994: Speaker, "Law Office Management: Breaking Down Barriers," Women and the Law – Emerging Opportunities, State Bar of Texas, Austin, Texas. Speech supplied.

Approximately May 1993, Opening Remarks and Moderator for the Luncheon Benefiting Victims Outreach, Attorneys Serving the Community, Dallas, Texas. My remarks were on community service by women lawyers of Dallas for Victims Outreach. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. Attorneys Serving the Community can be contacted through their website at http://www.ascdallas.com/contact/.

Over the years (estimate 1984 through 2008), I have served multiple times as a judge in mock trial and moot court competitions for Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, the University of Texas School of Law, the Dallas Bar Association, the George W. Bush Institute and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. I also participated in mock trial training programs educating young trial lawyers. However, I do not recall the exact dates, nor do I have any notes, transcripts or recordings of my remarks at those competitions. The address for Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law is 3315 Daniel Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202. The address for the University of Texas School of Law is 727 East Dean Keeton Street, Austin, Texas 78705. The address for the George W. Bush Institute is 2943 SMU Boulevard, Dallas, Texas 75205. The address for the Dallas Bar Association is 2101 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201. The address for the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association is 1612 K Street Northwest, Suite 1400, Washington, District of Columbia 20006.

e. List all interviews you have given to newspapers, magazines or other publications, or radio or television stations, providing the dates of these

interviews and four (4) copies of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.

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In 1999 and 2000, the Dallas Chinese Times published several articles and advertisements on my judicial race. *See* Dallas Chinese Times, Jan. 27, 2000, at C-2; Dallas Chinese Times, Dec. 25, 1999, at B1; Dallas Chinese News, Dec. 10, 1999, at B-5; Dallas Chinese Times, Dec. 9, 1999, at A-12. Copies supplied.

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13. <u>Judicial Office</u>: State (chronologically) any judicial offices you have held, including

positions as an administrative law judge, whether such position was elected or appointed, and a description of the jurisdiction of each such court.

I was elected presiding judge of the 95th Judicial District Court in Dallas County, Texas, in November 2000 for a four-year term that began January 1, 2001. I was reelected unopposed in November 2004 for a second term beginning January 1, 2005. I served all eight years of the two terms. The 95th Judicial District Court has been designated as a court of original jurisdiction only for civil matters, including cases involving contract, tort, declaratory judgments and injunctive relief. In 2007, I was elected by my fellow civil district judges to serve as the presiding judge of the Civil District Judges of Dallas County, Texas. In 2013, I was appointed to serve on the Tenth Court of Appeals panel by commission signed by the Governor of the State of Texas in Case No. 10-13-00009-CV; however, I did not author the opinions for that case.

a. Approximately how many cases have you presided over that have gone to verdict or judgment?

I have presided over many thousands of cases spanning an eight-year period that have gone to verdict, judgment, settled (with a later signed judgment), nonsuited and/or have been dismissed. Of those cases, I estimate I have tried over 100 jury cases and hundreds of bench trials (including prove-up default judgments and name changes). I have answered below based on my best estimate of jury and bench trials (not including default judgments and name changes).

i. Of these, approximately what percent were:

jury trials: 75% bench trials: 25%

civil proceedings: 100% criminal proceedings: 0%

b. Provide citations for all opinions you have written, including concurrences and dissents.

As a Texas state trial court judge, I did not author opinions. My rulings on various matters were entered via orders or judgments that nearly always were supplied by the party being afforded the relief being granted in the order or judgment.

- c. For each of the 10 most significant cases over which you presided, provide: (1) a capsule summary of the nature the case; (2) the outcome of the case; (3) the name and contact information for counsel who had a significant role in the trial of the case; and (3) the citation of the case (if reported) or the docket number and a copy of the opinion or judgment (if not reported).
  - 1. Mansour v. Outback Steakhouse et al., Cause No. 98-3878

This was a complex and highly contentious breach of contract and business tort case involving the dissolution of a business partnership between an individual and multiple corporate entities. I presided over a summary jury trial by agreement of all parties which did not result in a settlement. Thereafter, a jury was empaneled, and the case was tried for three weeks from May 14 through June 8, 2001. The charge was extensive. After deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

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2. Luck v. Baylor Medical Center et al., Cause No. 98-8635

This was a medical malpractice case involving allegations of negligence against a hospital and emergency room doctors for failing to properly diagnose and treat the plaintiff. The defendants alleged the plaintiff was negligent in failing to disclose and get proper treatment for an underlying condition which led to the amputation of both of her arms and legs. A jury was empaneled, and the case was tried from August 13 through August 23, 2001. After deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

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3. Trebold v. Fowler, M.D., Cause No. 00-06073

This was a medical malpractice case involving allegations of negligence and gross negligence against a doctor for an improperly performed abdominoplasty. The defendant cosmetic surgeon who performed the surgery had previously had his hospital privileges taken away. The plaintiff alleged that the surgeon excessively removed fat and skin that caused separation of

her sutures and serious infection after her surgery. The plaintiff also alleged that the defendant did not provide proper post-surgical care. A jury was empaneled, and the case was tried from March 11 through March 15, 2002. After deliberations, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff and awarded her \$94,000 in past damages, \$97,000 in future damages and \$100,000 in punitive damages.

## Counsel for Plaintiff:

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# 4. Griffin et al. v. Frank Bartel Transportation, Inc. et al., Cause No. 98-6441

This motor vehicle accident lawsuit arose out of a big collision involving multiple vehicles on a rural road. A farming tractor was hit by a semi-trailer truck, which was in turn hit by yet another 18-wheeler. There were logistical and practical challenges in trying this case, with all parties asserting negligence claims and counterclaims against each other. A jury was empaneled, and the case was tried from January 14 to January 17, 2002. After deliberations, the jury returned a plaintiff's verdict finding negligence but awarding no damages.

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5. Smith v. Tideline Design, Inc. et al., Cause No. 00-2374

This insurance subrogation property damages case involved a tropical fish tank that allegedly malfunctioned, causing the plaintiff Mr. Smith's house to burn down to the ground. Unlike many multi-day cases, nearly all members of the jury panel were extremely eager to be selected to serve on the jury due to the high profile plaintiff, a former Dallas Cowboys star running back. The case was tried for three days from February 11 through February 13, 2012. After deliberations, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff and awarded \$930,000 in damages.

Counsel for Plaintiff:

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6. Dennis v. Texas Utility Co., Inc. dba TU Electric Company, Cause No. 96-09957

This was an employer negligence case for personal injury damages sustained by an employee of a public utility company. The plaintiff alleged negligence and gross negligence for creating an unsafe workplace. A jury was empaneled, and the case was tried from January 28 to January 31, 2002. After deliberations, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, awarding substantial actual damages and punitive damages. I denied a motion for new trial and entered judgment for the plaintiff on February 28, 2002.

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7. Mainwaring et ux. v. USAA, Cause No. 01-03833

This was an insurance bad faith case involving the denial of full payment of a

claim for a roof leak by the defendant under the plaintiffs' homeowner's policy. The animosity toward insurance carriers at that time, as reflected in the jury panel during the first voir dire of this case, resulted in the disqualification of the first jury panel and thereafter required calling up from the central jury room an extraordinary large jury panel for the second voir dire. A jury was ultimately empaneled, and the case was tried from February 21 through February 24, 2003. After deliberations, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiffs, finding that only 5% of the damage to plaintiffs' home was not covered by the homeowner's policy. The jury awarded the plaintiffs \$275,900 in damages and \$600,000 in punitive damages.

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## 8. Tedrow et al. v. General Electric et al., Cause No. 03-06626

This was an asbestos lawsuit against numerous entities brought by a plaintiff diagnosed with mesothelioma and his family. The plaintiffs settled with all of the parties but defendant General Electric. A jury was empaneled after the jurors completed a jury questionnaire and extensive voir dire. Trial began on February 8, 2005, and was in its fourth day when the defendant moved for mistrial based on motion in limine violations. After a hearing and reviewing the parties' briefs, I granted a mistrial and ordered the case to begin a new trial the next day, whereupon the case immediately settled. I entered an order of dismissal on May 17, 2005.

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9. John Doe et al. v. Brookhaven Country Club and Club Corp. USA, Inc., Cause No. 04-10591

This emotionally charged lawsuit arose out of the sexual molestation of a young girl by her swim coach. Her parents sued their country club and the operating company of the country club for the negligent hiring and supervision of the employee involved. The parents sought millions of dollars in damages and punitive damages. A jury was empaneled, and the case was tried for over three weeks from February 1 to February 23, 2006. After deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

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# 10. Dell et al. v. Brothers, M.D. et al., Cause No. 05-07072

This was a medical malpractice case wherein plaintiffs alleged misdiagnosis and negligence by the doctors, and defendants alleged noncompliance with a doctor's instructions, as well as the existence of an undiagnosed and serious underlying condition which led to a bacterial endocarditis and psoas abscess. A jury was empaneled, and the case was tried from June 4 through June 13, 2007. After deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

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d. For each of the 10 most significant opinions you have written, provide: (1) citations for those decisions that were published; (2) a copy of those decisions that were not published; and (3) the names and contact information for the attorneys who played a significant role in the case.

As a Texas state trial court judge, I did not author opinions. My rulings on various matters were entered via orders or judgments that nearly always were supplied by the party being afforded the relief being granted in the order or judgment.

e. Provide a list of all cases in which certiorari was requested or granted.

To the best of my knowledge, there have not been any cases that I have been involved with as a judge in which certiorari was requested or granted.

f. Provide a brief summary of and citations for all of your opinions where your decisions were reversed by a reviewing court or where your judgment was affirmed with significant criticism of your substantive or procedural rulings. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.

Shih v. Tamisiea, 306 S.W.3d 939 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2010, no pet.). I granted summary judgment for plaintiff's former attorneys in this professional negligence suit. The appellate court affirmed my summary judgment in favor of appellees on the client's claims for violation of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act and breach of fiduciary duty. The court reversed my summary judgment ruling that attorney's fees paid in a prior lawsuit are not recoverable damages, because the Texas Supreme Court overturned the Dallas Court of Appeals on that issue in Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P. v. Nat'l Dev. & Research Corp., 299 S.W.3d 106, 118-19 (Tex. 2009), after my decision was entered. Based on the decision in Akin, the court reversed and remanded this issue.

Nautilus Ins. Co. v. Steinberg, 316 S.W.3d 752 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2010, pet. denied). This appeal arose from a bench trial in which I concluded that the insurer failed to show that the theft exclusion in the policy's vandalism coverage provision applied to bar coverage. The Dallas Court of Appeals reversed and remanded, finding that I erred in my construction of the policy and application of the law to the facts of this case. The court further concluded that, because of this mistaken construction, I failed to make a necessary finding of fact.

Zenith Insurance Co. v. Ayala, 325 S.W.3d 176 (Tex. 2010). In this case I

affirmed the decision of the Division of Workers' Compensation, which awarded benefits to the appellee due to the insurance carrier's failure to dispute compensability within 60 days after it received notice of claimant's initial injury. The Court of Appeals affirmed. The Supreme Court of Texas reversed, holding that the statutory deadline did not apply and the carrier's preauthorization of treatment did not preclude the carrier from disputing the extent of injury.

Centex/Vestal v. Friendship West Baptist Church, 314 S.W.3d 677 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2010, pet. denied). In this case I vacated the arbitration award and the contractor appealed. The Dallas Court of Appeals reversed, finding that the arbitrator did not exceed his authority, under the arbitration agreement between the church and general contractor, to consider the validity of pass-through claims for subcontractors.

Proctor v. Buell, 293 S.W.3d 924 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2009, no pet.). In this case I denied appellant's special appearance disputing personal jurisdiction. The appellate court reversed and rendered judgment, dismissing the appellant from the case for lack of personal jurisdiction. The court found that the appellant met his burden to negate the appellee's allegation that appellant was subject to specific jurisdiction.

Dallas Central Appraisal Dist. v. Mission Aire IV, L.P., 279 S.W.3d 471 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2009, pet. denied). I entered summary judgment for tenants, concluding that the evidence established conclusively that the town owned certain improvements. The appraisal district appealed, and the court reversed and rendered, finding that the evidence established conclusively that the tenants owned the improvements for the duration of their leases.

State, Texas Dept. of Transp. v. Allodial Ltd. Partnership, 280 S.W.3d 922 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2009, no pet.). I denied the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT's) plea to the jurisdiction on the grounds that there were fact issues "inextricably intertwined with both the issue of jurisdiction and the merits of the case." TxDOT appealed, arguing sovereign immunity barred Allodial's claims, Allodial lacked standing to bring the claims, and there was no affirmative act by TxDOT giving rise to the claims. The Dallas Court of Appeals affirmed as to my denial of the plea to the jurisdiction on Allodial's takings claims, and remanded for further proceedings. The Court found that I erred in denying TxDOT's plea to the jurisdiction on Allodial's breach of deed covenants claims. The Court overruled TxDOT's issue as to Allodial's takings claim, but sustained TxDOT's issues as to all other claims asserted by Allodial.

Ferguson v. Building Materials Corp. of America, 295 S.W.3d 642 (Tex. 2009). I granted summary judgment in favor of defendants, asserting that the personal injury suit was barred by judicial estoppel because plaintiffs failed to identify their claims as assets in their bankruptcy schedules. The plaintiffs appealed and the El Paso Court of Appeals affirmed. The Texas Supreme Court reversed and

remanded, holding that failure to include a personal injury suit on a schedule of personal property and in the bankruptcy plan did not judicially estop plaintiffs from pursuing the suit.

Town of Addison v. Thielsch Eng'g, 05-08-01723, 2009 WL 1579214, at \*1 (Tex. App.—Dallas June 8, 2009, no pet.). In this case, the appellate court had before it the parties' agreed motion to set aside my judgment and remand for rendition of judgment pursuant to the parties' settlement. The appellate court granted the motion, and set aside my judgment without regard to the merits, and remanded the case for rendition of judgment in accordance with the settlement agreement. Unpublished opinion supplied.

Burney v. Citigroup Global Markets Realty Corp., 244 S.W.3d 900 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2008, no pet.). In this case I entered summary judgment in favor of the holder of a note to foreclose on petitioner's property. Petitioner appealed, arguing that the grant of summary judgment was in error because the statute of limitations for such foreclosure action had run. On rehearing, the Court of Appeals held that the holder's cause of action for foreclosure accrued when the maker received the notice of the prior holder's filing of an application for expedited foreclosure, and thus the foreclosure was outside of the limitations period. The court accordingly reversed and rendered judgment for Burney.

French v. Henson, No. 05-06-01036-CV, 2008 WL 2266119 (Tex. App.—June 4, 2008, no pet.) On cross-motions for summary judgment on the settlement issue in a motor vehicle collision case, I granted summary judgment in favor of Henson and denied French's motion. On appeal French contended I erred because the evidence did raise a fact issue regarding the existence of an agreement, as there was no meeting of the minds on whether to include French as a payee. The appellate court agreed and reversed and remanded for further proceedings.

Aboud v. Citicorp Vendor Fin., Inc., 05-07-00338-CV, 2008 WL 345448, at \*1 (Tex. App.—Dallas Feb. 8, 2008, no pet.). The parties jointly filed a motion to vacate my judgment and dismiss the appeal pursuant to their settlement agreement. The court granted the motion and vacated the judgment without regard to the merits. Unpublished opinion supplied.

City of Dallas v. VRC, LLC, 260 S.W.3d 60 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2008 no pet.). I denied the city's plea to the jurisdiction and the city appealed. On appeal, the Court of Appeals held that VRC could not plead a valid regulatory takings claim, and thus did not overcome the city's governmental immunity, and the trial court lacked jurisdiction over the takings claims. The court accordingly reversed my order denying the city's plea to the jurisdiction and rendered judgment dismissing VRC's takings claims.

County of Dallas v. Wiland, 216 S.W.3d 344 (Tex. 2007). I entered partial summary judgment against the county as to liability, entered judgment on the

jury's damages award, awarded attorney's fees to the deputies, and denied the county's motion for a new trial. The county appealed, and the Dallas Court of Appeals affirmed. The Texas Supreme Court reversed and remanded, holding that the deputy constables did have a procedural due process property interest in continued employment, that interest did not terminate automatically, remand was required as to damages, and the deputy constables had no substantive due process right in continued employment.

Parsons v. County of Dallas, 197 S.W.3d 915 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2006, no pet.). I granted the county's motion to dismiss the lawsuit as frivolous under Chapter 14 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code. On appeal the Dallas Court of Appeals reversed and remanded, holding that I erroneously based the dismissal upon a failure to comply with the procedural requirements of Chapter 14 and further concluded that I erroneously determined the inmates' argument for immunity was frivolous as a matter of law.

In re Lejia, 05-03-01693-CV, 2004 WL 260570, at \*1 (Tex. App.—Dallas Feb. 13, 2004, no pet.). I granted a motion for new trial setting aside a default judgment taken after service was effected on the wrong individual. The Dallas Court of Appeals ordered that I vacate my order granting new trial and setting aside the default judgment, and enter an order denying the motion for new trial.

Dallas County Democratic Executive Committee v. County of Dallas, No. 05-02-01686, 2002 WL 31439451 (Tex. App.—Dallas Nov. 1, 2002, no pet.). I granted appellees' plea to the jurisdiction and dismissed appellant's cause of action after finding that procedural bars had not been met to vest the court with jurisdiction to enjoin violations of the Texas Election Code. The Dallas Court of Appeals reversed and remanded finding that an ongoing election does not deprive the district court of jurisdiction to enjoin violations of the election code, as long as the relief awarded does not delay, cancel, interfere with, or inquire into the validity of the election. Unpublished opinion supplied.

Forte v. AmeriPlan Corp., No. 05-01-00921-CV, 2002 WL 576608, at \*1 (Tex. App.—Dallas Apr. 18, 2002, no pet.). I denied petitioner's motion to compel arbitration against AmeriPlan Corporation. The two documents at issue were the Manual and Agreement. The Manual required arbitration, but the Agreement also contained a provision requiring mediation and then court remedies, rather than arbitration. Based on the foregoing, a divided appellate court held that the Agreement was ambiguous, and reversed my order denying the motion to compel finding that the contract was unambiguous, and remanded the case for further proceedings. The case settled thereafter and was dismissed. Unpublished opinion supplied.

Russell v. Murphy, 86 S.W.3d 745 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2002), rev'd 167 S.W.3d 835 (Tex. 2005) (per curiam). I dismissed a patient's Deceptive Trade Practices Act, breach of contract, and battery suit for failure to comply with requirements of

the Medical Liability and Insurance Improvement Act governing health care liability claims. The patient appealed, and the Court of Appeals reversed and remanded. On petition for review, the Texas Supreme Court held that the battery claims required an expert report and the DTPA claims were health care liability claims for which the patient was required to provide an expert report, and thus reversed the Court of Appeals and dismissed.

g. Provide a description of the number and percentage of your decisions in which you issued an unpublished opinion and the manner in which those unpublished opinions are filed and/or stored.

As a Texas state trial court judge, I did not author opinions. My rulings on various matters were entered via orders or judgments that nearly always were supplied by the party being afforded the relief being granted in the order or judgment. All of those documents should be stored in court files maintained by the District Clerk of Dallas County.

h. Provide citations for significant opinions on federal or state constitutional issues, together with the citation to appellate court rulings on such opinions. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.

I have not had any significant opinions on federal or state constitutional issues.

i. Provide citations to all cases in which you sat by designation on a federal court of appeals, including a brief summary of any opinions you authored, whether majority, dissenting, or concurring, and any dissenting opinions you joined.

I have not sat by designation on a federal court of appeals.

- 14. **Recusal:** If you are or have been a judge, identify the basis by which you have assessed the necessity or propriety of recusal (If your court employs an "automatic" recusal system by which you may be recused without your knowledge, please include a general description of that system.) Provide a list of any cases, motions or matters that have come before you in which a litigant or party has requested that you recuse yourself due to an asserted conflict of interest or in which you have recused yourself sua sponte. Identify each such case, and for each provide the following information:
  - a. whether your recusal was requested by a motion or other suggestion by a litigant or a party to the proceeding or by any other person or interested party; or if you recused yourself sua sponte;
  - b. a brief description of the asserted conflict of interest or other ground for recusal;
  - c. the procedure you followed in determining whether or not to recuse yourself;
  - d. your reason for recusing or declining to recuse yourself, including any action taken to remove the real, apparent or asserted conflict of interest or to cure any

other ground for recusal.

In every case before me as judge of the 95th Judicial District Court, I complied with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure governing recusal of judges, as well as the applicable disciplinary and ethical rules of the State of Texas. While judge, I was highly attentive to the issue of conflicts at all stages of a case.

During 2001 and 2002, my first two years in office, my staff was required to review every case upon filing in my court to identify any cases involving Andrews & Kurth, LLP, where I was a partner immediately preceding my election to the bench. In 2008, my last year in office, my staff would also identify any cases involving Jones Day, where I was interviewing for and ultimately accepted an offer to be a partner in their Dallas office. Also, for all my years on the bench, 2001 through 2008, my staff would identify any cases involving the Winstead law firm, where my former husband was a partner. On all cases involving those law firms during those time periods, I would automatically recuse myself.

In addition, my practice during all the years I was a judge would be to personally review each file before any ruling or hearing. If there was a reason to recuse, I would recuse sua sponte. I believed in erring on the side of caution in disclosing any potential conflict to parties and their counsel, in particular relating to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 18b(b)(1) on matters in which "the judge's impartiality might reasonably be questioned." If any party expressed any concern regarding my impartiality after disclosing a potential conflict, I would recuse immediately and voluntarily. Nearly always, however, the parties would urge that I stay on as the presiding judge. In those cases, I would state the potential ground for recusal on the record and then all counsel would have to waive the potential ground on the record or in writing after consulting with their clients, before I would continue to preside.

I have not kept copies of my recusal orders. All records generated prior to 2011 by the office of the Presiding Judge of the First Administration Region (where all motions to recuse were referred from my court) have been destroyed. Without manually going through the records of every one of the thousands of cases I presided over as judge of the 95th Judicial District Court, I am unable to provide the information requested above on every recusal order I signed. I can, however, attest that I strictly adhered to the grounds set forth in Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 18a and 18b for disqualification and recusal, as well as the guidelines I established for myself and my staff in handling recusals as set forth above.

I can recall only two motions to recuse filed against me in cases I declined to recuse. I referred both motions to the Presiding Judge of the First Administrative Judicial Region for hearing:

McInnis v. Wells, M.D., Cause No. 98-03340, wherein the asserted ground in the motion for recusal filed by the plaintiff post-trial was that my former husband, a

transactional lawyer, and his law firm represented medical practitioners which allegedly created an appearance of impropriety or bias in favor of the medical profession. The motion to recuse was denied. The case settled thereafter.

Lanvera Ltd. v. USFI, Inc. and Sage Telecom, Inc., Cause No. 06-04346, wherein the ground asserted in plaintiff's motion for recusal was that one of my sons had previously held a part-time summer job in the records department at Locke Lord years before, thus allegedly creating an appearance of impropriety because one of the defendants was represented in the case by Locke Lord. The motion was filed just weeks before a firm trial setting and well over a year after the parties waived the potential conflict on the record after I disclosed it. The motion to recuse was denied. The case proceeded to trial as scheduled, and the jury found in favor of the plaintiff/movant, awarding a substantial damage award.

# 15. Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:

a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

I have not held public office other than judicial office.

b. List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities.

After reviewing my records and searching the Internet, below is all of the information that I can recall regarding my political memberships and activities in addition to my own campaigns, though there may be some that I inadvertently missed.

In 1994, I endorsed George W. Bush for Governor. I offered to be a volunteer and was assigned as an attorney focus group member for the George W. Bush for Texas Governor campaign, but I do not recall doing any active volunteering for the campaign.

In 2000, I was a member of the Texas Finance Committee for the George W. Bush Exploratory Committee, Inc. and solicited contributions. In November of 2010, I traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana, as a member of the Mighty Bush Strike Force to generate support for the George W. Bush Presidential Campaign.

I have been a member of the Park Cities Republican Women's Club and the Texas

Federation of Republican Women since approximately 1999. In approximately 2002, I was legislative committee chair and in 2015, I was by-laws chair of the Park Cities Republican Women's Club. I was a member of the now defunct Dallas Republican Career Women's Club and may have joined other local Republican clubs while running for office in 2000; however, I do not specifically recall which ones.

I have on occasion attended meetings and volunteered, without titles, at the Dallas County Republican headquarters during the years 1999 through 2010. I have been a member of the Texas Asian Republican Assembly since approximately 2014.

I was listed on the steering committee for the campaign of Susan Hawk for District Attorney in 2014, but was not otherwise active in her campaign. I endorsed Dan Branch for Attorney General in 2014 and possibly for state representative during the years 2002 to 2014.

I was treasurer of the nonpartisan Jones Day Texas PAC from 2012 through 2014.

Over the past 32 years, and in my capacity as treasurer for the Jones Day PAC and as named partner of my current law firm, I have volunteered and/or assisted in the collection of contributions for a number of local judicial candidates in connection with their campaigns. To the best of my knowledge, these included efforts for the judicial campaigns of Judge Carlos Cortez, Justice Robert Fillmore, Justice Molly Francis, Judge Mark Greenberg, Justice Doug Lang, Justice Elizabeth Lang-Miers, Judge Marty Lowy, Judge Ken Molberg, Judge Eric Moye, Justice Lana Myers, Judge Will Pryor, Judge Lorraine Raggio, Justice Martin Richter, Justice David Schenck, Judge Gena Slaughter, Judge James Stanton, Judge Dale Tillery, Judge Emily Tobolowsky, Justice Bill Whitehill, and Judge Staci Williams.

## 16. **Legal Career:** Answer each part separately.

- a. Describe chronologically your law practice and legal experience after graduation from law school including:
  - i. whether you served as clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk;
    - I have never served as a clerk to a judge.
  - ii. whether you practiced alone, and if so, the addresses and dates;
    - I have never practiced alone.
  - iii. the dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or

governmental agencies with which you have been affiliated, and the nature of your affiliation with each.

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1996 – 2000 Andrews & Kurth, LLP 1717 Main Street, Suite 3700 Dallas, Texas 75201 Of Counsel (June – December 2000) Partner (1996 – 2000)

2009 – 2013 Jones Day 2727 North Harwood Street Dallas, Texas 75201 Partner

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Principal (2014 – present)
Co-Managing Partner (2015 – present)

2014 – Present American Arbitration Association Galleria North Tower Two 13727 Noel Road, Suite 700 Dallas, Texas 75240 Arbitrator & Mediator

iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have served as a mediator in private practice only after joining my current law firm in January 2014 and as an arbitrator since completing my training with the American Arbitration Association in April 2014. I have served as a mediator or arbitrator in the following matters:

1. Frena, et al. v. Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC et al., No. 4:13-cv-455 in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division

This case was brought by the pro se intended death benefit beneficiaries of a deceased relative's annuity against the decedent's financial advisors. Allegations included professional negligence, fraud and breach of fiduciary duties. I mediated this case in 2014, and it settled.

2. Dallas Area Rapid Transit et al. v. Amalgamated Transit Union Local No. 1338, No. 05-04-00208-CV in the Court of Appeals, Fifth District of Texas at Dallas

This was an appeal from the trial court's order denying the defendants' plea to the trial court's jurisdiction. The underlying case was an alleged breach of contract and declaratory judgment action arising from a 2000 settlement agreement between a governmental rapid transit authority and the local transit union. The disputed issues related to the existence and waiver of governmental immunity. I mediated this case in 2014, and it did not settle.

3. WLS Surgical Associates, PA v. Globalcomm, Inc. et al., Cause No. 11-13101 in the 68th District Court of Dallas County, Texas

This was a contentious business dispute between a medical provider specializing in bariatric surgical procedures and a company providing consulting services for communications and information technology systems. The causes of action included claims for injunctive relief, breach of contract and violation of the Texas Harmful Access by Computer Act. I mediated this case in 2014 over several days, and it settled.

4. *Helo v. Mock et al.*, Cause No. 13-14810 in the 116th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas

This was a contract case between the owner of a tire store and former employees. The allegations between the parties included breach of contract, tortious interference with contract and conversion. The parties sought injunctive relief, damages and attorney's fees. I mediated this case in 2014, and it settled.

5. Vickery et al. v. Careington International Corporation et al., AAA Case No. 01-14-0001-2539

This arbitration involved a business dispute arising out of a contractual

relationship relating to the solicitation of prospective clients by the claimants for the respondent's dental care programs and plans. The allegations among the parties included breach of contract, fraud and breach of fiduciary duties. I was a member of a three-judge panel. The case settled in 2015 after our panel issued rulings on multiple motions for summary judgment filed by all parties prior to the final hearing.

6. United Commerce Centers, Inc. et al. v. The Travelers Lloyds Insurance Company, Cause No. 14-04967 in the 95th Judicial District Court, Dallas County, Texas

This was a breach of contract and insurance bad faith case arising out of the handling by the defendant insurance company of a hail damage claim filed by the plaintiffs. The plaintiffs' allegations against the defendant included violations under the Texas Insurance Code, breach of contract, breach of duties of good faith and fair dealing, fraud and bad faith. I mediated this case in 2015, and it settled.

7. Henry v. Agius, et al., AAA Case No. 01-14-0002-0684

This arbitration arose out of an agreement executed between the parties for the sale and purchase of the claimant's mystery shopping company and a resulting agreement for the consulting services of the claimant to respondents. The parties alleged breach of contract against each other and sought damages and attorney's fees. At my suggestion and the parties' agreement, this case was mediated before the arbitration hearing was to begin on the first day. The case settled in 2015.

8. Morrison & Morrison, Inc. et al. v. United Commerce Centers, Cause No. 15-CV-0757, in the 122nd Judicial District Court, Galveston County, Texas

This was a mediation of multiple lawsuits regarding disputes that arose from the distribution of the proceeds received in a mediated settlement between the defendants and their insurance company. The parties who asserted breach of contract claims against the defendants included a roof construction and restoration company, their former lawyer and a public insurance adjuster. I mediated these cases in 2015, and they did not settle.

9. Vasquez v. Builders FirstSource, AAA Case No. 01-14-0001-6281

This was a non-subscriber workers' compensation case arising out of an on-the-job injury. Several windows fell on the claimant during the course of his employment with the respondent. The claimant's allegations included negligence for failing to maintain a safe work

environment. Although I was appointed as the arbitrator for this case, all parties agreed to mediate before me prior to the final arbitration hearing. I mediated the case in 2015, and it settled.

10. Needham et al. v. Federal National Mortgage Association, No.4:13cv557 in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division

This case involved allegations of wrongful eviction and negligent repairs against the Federal National Mortgage Association. The plaintiffs alleged that as a result of the wrongful eviction, they had to file for bankruptcy and live in a motel. I mediated this case in 2016, and it has settled pending final approval by the bankruptcy court.

### b. Describe:

i. the general character of your law practice and indicate by date when its character has changed over the years.

Generally, I have had more than 30 years of civil trial experience, including eight years as a two-term Dallas County civil district judge. Starting in 1982 as an associate through 1988 as a partner at Strasburger & Price, LLP, I primarily handled personal injury insurance defense cases and business tort cases. As I progressed as an associate, my practice became increasingly more specialized in the product liability area. By the time I left to join Andrews & Kurth LLP in 1996, I estimate that well over 50% of my work was in connection with defending manufacturers in serious product liability litigation. Thereafter, I continued to handle product liability cases on a first chair basis, but my work expanded to include more commercial litigation matters until I took the bench in 2001.

After I stepped down from the bench and returned to private practice in 2009, I joined Jones Day as a partner in its complex tort and product liability section. There, my time was split between working as a member of a national coordination team defending a product manufacturer in a large multi-district litigation based in Kentucky, and representing a variety of clients as their lead counsel in the Dallas area on significant commercial litigation matters.

In 2014, I joined Carter Scholer Arnett Hamada & Mockler, PLLC as a named partner. Since then my law practice has covered a wide variety of litigation matters, representing clients in business tort disputes and some personal injury cases on both sides of the docket. I also have accepted many appointments from the state and federal courts to serve as a mediator and umpire. Additionally, I serve as an arbitrator on matters referred to me from the American Arbitration Association.

ii. your typical clients and the areas at each period of your legal career, if any, in which you have specialized.

My primary areas of focus have been business litigation and complex tort litigation. The cases I have handled span a multitude of different industries including accounting, banking, corporate, energy, food, health care, housing, insurance, labor, real estate, transportation and more. I have litigated and arbitrated first chair numerous commercial matters ranging from multi-million-dollar business disputes to multi-plaintiff business fraud cases, as well as complex personal injury cases involving catastrophic injury and major property damage on behalf of national and international product liability, transportation and insurance companies. I have been hired to coordinate discovery for clients on a local, state and nationwide basis for individual cases with common claims and multi-district litigation.

While at Strasburger & Price, LLP, Andrews & Kurth, LLP, and Jones Day, I typically represented large corporate clients. Since joining my current law firm in 2014, my clients have been more broad-based and diverse, now representing individuals and corporations, as well as plaintiffs and defendants. I also serve as a mediator and umpire in state and federal court litigation, as well as an arbitrator in American Arbitration Association cases.

c. Describe the percentage of your practice that has been in litigation and whether you appeared in court frequently, occasionally, or not at all. If the frequency of your appearances in court varied, describe such variance, providing dates.

My legal practice has been devoted to civil litigation. In private practice, I have appeared in court occasionally over the course of my career, depending on what I was working on at the time. Some months, I may be at the courthouse every week; other months, not at all. The percentages below are estimates based on my practice as an attorney over the span of my entire legal career.

i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

1.	federal courts:	10%
2.	state courts of record:	90%
3.	other courts:	0%
4.	administrative agencies:	0%

ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

1.	civil proceedings:	100%
2.	criminal proceedings:	0%

d. State the number of cases in courts of record, including cases before

administrative law judges, you tried to verdict, judgment or final decision (rather than settled), indicating whether you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

Excluding cases brought to a conclusion by way of motion for summary judgment or other case dispositive motion, I tried at least five cases to verdict. I was sole or lead counsel in two of those cases.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

1. jury: 100% 2. non-jury: 0%

e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States. Supply four (4) copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I have not practiced before the Supreme Court of the United States.

- 17. <u>Litigation</u>: Describe the ten (10) most significant litigated matters which you personally handled, whether or not you were the attorney of record. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, and the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Also state as to each case:
  - a. the date of representation;
  - b. the name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated; and
  - c. the individual name, addresses, and telephone numbers of co-counsel and of principal counsel for each of the other parties.
  - 1. Simmons v. Budget Rent a Car, Civil Action No. 3:81-cv-01431-F, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division; Judge Robert Porter; Approximately 1982 –1984

This was a personal injury case arising out of an incident in which a suitcase fell off of a luggage rack onto the plaintiff's head while riding a Budget car rental shuttle bus at the Dallas Fort Worth International Airport. The plaintiff alleged negligence and personal injury damages from head trauma. I assisted with discovery and pretrial matters in the defense of Budget Rent a Car and was second chair at trial. The case was tried before a jury over two days. After deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

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2. Tarrantino et al. v. General Motors Corporation et al., Cause No. 86-12794, 14th District Court of Dallas County, Texas; Judge John Marshall; 1986 – 1989

I was the regional co-counsel defending General Motors in one of the nation's first product liability lawsuits alleging that an automobile was defective for the lack of rear three-point seatbelts. The plaintiffs were young men traveling in a car at a very high rate of speed down a residential street in the middle of the night. Alcohol was involved, and the driver crashed his car into the back of a wide-load house being moved on a trailer. The plaintiffs were the rear seat occupants wearing two-point lap belts. They sustained severe injuries from their lap belts to their abdominal and intestinal areas. I shared responsibility with the national counsel for General Motors preparing the case for trial, including court appearances and substantial discovery of fact and expert witnesses. Plaintiffs were represented by a nationally renowned plaintiffs' lawyer. The case settled the week before trial.

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3. Garman et al. v. Mazda Motor Corporation, Cause No. 85-13839, 116th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas; Judge Frank Andrews; 1985 –1989

I served as co-counsel defending Mazda Motor Corporation in this wrongful death product liability lawsuit alleging that an automobile was defective for the lack of air bags. The plaintiffs were the parents of a young woman who was driving a Mazda RX7 killed in a single car accident when she collided into an electrical light pole. Plaintiffs also sued the power company alleging the light pole was defective. I assisted in all aspects of the case preparation, including court appearances and discovery of fact and expert witnesses. The case settled after significant discovery took place.

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4. Cato v. Nissan Motor Co., Ltd, et al., Cause No. D-5-CV-91-1546, Fifth Judicial District of Bowie County (Texarkana), Texas; Judge Jack Carter; 1991 – 1995

I was lead co-counsel representing the Nissan defendants. This was a significant personal injury product liability case – the first ever post-collision fuel fed fire case tried by Nissan in the country. The plaintiff was severely burned after his car caught on fire following a motor vehicle accident. The plaintiff alleged that the subject vehicle's fuel system was defectively designed and caused his burns. I was involved in all aspects of the case preparation, strategy and trial. The case was tried in 1995 in Texarkana for approximately a week to a jury. Final disposition was a complete defense verdict.

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5. Watson v. Isuzu Motors Ltd., et al., Cause No. 40406, 43rd Judicial District Court of Parker County, Texas; Judge James O. Mullin; Approximately 1991 – 1995

This was a high damage exposure product liability case involving a single car rollover accident. The plaintiff, the only son of the mayor of the town where the case was pending, was a passenger in a sport utility vehicle operated by a driver under the influence of alcohol. The plaintiff incurred serious injuries as a result of the accident and was rendered a paraplegic. The plaintiff sued the Isuzu defendants alleging design defects under the theories of negligence and strict liability. We were unable to locate any local attorneys who would agree to serve as local counsel in this case involving the mayor's son. I was co-counsel defending the Isuzu defendants and took the lead in all aspects of fully preparing the case for trial. I attended all of the hearings and took most, if not all, of the

depositions – fact and expert. After one of the expert depositions, opposing counsel advised that he had to find a new expert because the expert's usefulness to the plaintiff's case was destroyed during cross examination. The case settled shortly thereafter in a second mediation right before trial.

Co-Counsel for the Isuzu Defendants:

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Counsel for Plaintiff:

- B. Thomas McElroy (deceased)
- 6. Rochon v. Mary Kay Inc., Cause No. 09-2554, 298th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas; Judge Emily Tobolosky; 2009 2011

I was lead counsel representing defendant Mary Kay, Inc. in this multimillion dollar complex business dispute between Mary Kay, Inc. and a former CEO of the company. The claims and counterclaims included allegations of breach of contract and tortious interference with contract. The parties sought damages, attorneys' fees, injunctive relief and a declaratory judgment. It settled after two mediations and many contested hearings.

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7. Buirkle et al. v. Argosy Education Group, Inc. et al., Cause No. 09-10467, 14th District Court of Dallas County, Texas; Judge Eric Moyé; and Charles Cavett et al. v. Argosy Education Group, Inc. et al., JAMS Ref. Nos. 1310018851, 1310019074, 1310019075; Justice Mark Whittington; 2009 – 2013

I was the lead lawyer for all defendants on these matters, consolidating over 20 separate individual disputes in state district court and in arbitration, depending on whether an arbitration clause was contained in the contract each plaintiff signed with defendant Argosy. The plaintiffs were all students that had been enrolled in the doctoral program of clinical psychology at Argosy University in Dallas. Their allegations of fraud and misrepresentation primarily related to alleged representations made by employees of the defendants on the expected timing of receiving national accreditation for the doctoral program and the sufficiency of efforts undertaken by the defendants to achieve accreditation. After a first multiday mediation took place in an attempt to reach a global settlement, discovery and depositions of each of the plaintiffs moved forward. Individual mediations followed, and all cases eventually settled.

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8. *In Re: Yamaha Motor Corp. Rhino ATV Products Liability Litigation*, Master File No. 3:09-MD-2016-JBC, Multi District Litigation in the United States District Court, Western District of Kentucky, Louisville Division; Judge Jennifer Coffman; 2009 – 2013

While at Jones Day, I was a partner assisting on the national coordination team defending the Yamaha defendants in this massive product liability Multi-District Litigation. The MDL involved over 250 lawsuits filed around the country alleging that the Yamaha Rhino off road vehicle was defectively designed. These cases were vigorously and successfully defended by the Yamaha trial teams. My involvement was to assist with the complex national coordination of this case on many aspects of trial preparation, working with local counsel around the country. My responsibilities included assisting with discovery coordination, case evaluations, mediations and case strategy. I attended numerous hearings and mediations. These cases spanned multiple years beginning in 2009, and resolved for the most part, by trial and settlement, by 2013.

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9. Bearden v. Half Price Books, Cause No. 14-1168, 134th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas; Judge Dale Tillery; 2014 – 2015

This was a trip-and-fall premises liability case, and I served as lead counsel for the plaintiff. The plaintiff, a lawyer, broke her leg in three places after tripping over a stepstool supplied by Half Price Books when she was browsing through its bookstore. The plaintiff initially sought personal injury damages and then punitive damages after discovery revealed a large number of similar accidents. There were hearings on discovery and a motion for summary judgment filed against my client, and we prevailed each time. The case settled at a second mediation after significant factual discovery was developed through depositions and document production.

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10. Care for Kids of Texas PLLC et al. v. A Tooth Doctor for Kids Dallas, PLLC et al., Cause No. 14-11533, 134th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas; Judge Dale Tillery; 2014 – 2015

I was the lead lawyer defending A Tooth Doctor for Kids Dallas, PLLC. This was a complex business dispute arising out of a service agreement for the operation of pediatric Medicaid dental practices in Texas executed between a dental service organization and a licensed dentist and his professional corporation that employed other dentists. The allegations among the parties included claims for material breaches of the service agreement. The plaintiffs also asserted separate legal malpractice claims against a national law firm and some of its lawyers alleging violations of professional duties, which were vigorously denied. I represented defendant, A Tooth Doctor for Kids Dallas, PLLC, in the many hearings held, which included hearings relating to discovery disputes and the dissolution of an ex parte temporary restraining order. There were many complex mediations which I attended on behalf of my client and assisted the mediator in facilitating the settlement among the other parties. The case settled after four mediations.

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18. <u>Legal Activities</u>: Describe the most significant legal activities you have pursued, including significant litigation which did not progress to trial or legal matters that did not involve litigation. Describe fully the nature of your participation in these activities. List any client(s) or organization(s) for whom you performed lobbying activities and describe the lobbying activities you performed on behalf of such client(s) or organizations(s). (Note: As to any facts requested in this question, please omit any information protected by the attorney-client privilege.)

In 2007, I was appointed by the Texas Supreme Court to serve as a pretrial judge for the Multi-District Litigation in Cause No. 07-0037, In Re Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC Mortgage Servicing Litigation. In 2007, I served as Presiding Judge of the Dallas County Civil District Judges. In 2013, I was commissioned by the Governor of the State of Texas to serve as Justice of the Tenth Court of Appeals in Waco, Texas, in Case No. 10-13-00009-CV.

While in private practice, my focus has been litigation — as a lawyer and court-appointed mediator or arbitrator. I was and am active in bar activities, taking leadership roles for the Dallas Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas, the Dallas Asian American Bar Association, the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, and the Cornell Law Association.

For the Dallas Bar Association, I served on its board of directors in 2007 and I co-chaired several significant committees and major events including the Judiciary Committee in 2016, the Ethics Committee in 2008, the In Town Bench Bar Conference in 2005, and the Bench Bar Conference in 2003. I created, and for the past eight years, organized and participated in the Dallas Bar Association's Inspiring Women seminar and luncheon, the most popular continuing legal education seminar it sponsors in its 100+ year history. I also served for several years as the volunteer coach for high school students at the Health Professions High School in the annual Dallas Bar Association's mock trial competition. For the Dallas Bar Foundation Fellows, I am a life benefactor fellow. I served as its Chair in 2012, Vice Chair in 2011, and Secretary/Treasurer in 2010.

For the State Bar of Texas, I served as a member of the Litigation Section Council from 2003 to 2012. I have served on the editorial board for the Litigation Section's quarterly publication, The Advocate, from 2004 through the present. I was co-director of the 2006 Advanced Civil Trial Course and served on its planning committee from approximately 2007 through 2013.

For the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, I co-chaired the 16th Annual Convention in 2004. I was on the Judicial Council from 2001 to 2008, serving as secretary in 2001. I volunteered to serve as a judge for students at its Thomas Tang Moot Court Competition for years. I spoke at their national conferences in 2004 and 2014.

For the Cornell Law Association, I served on the executive board of directors from 2003 to 2007.

I have never provided lobbying services to any client or organization.

19. <u>Teaching</u>: What courses have you taught? For each course, state the title, the institution at which you taught the course, the years in which you taught the course, and describe briefly the subject matter of the course and the major topics taught. If you have a syllabus of each course, provide four (4) copies to the committee.

None.

20. <u>Deferred Income/ Future Benefits</u>: List the sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock, options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from previous business relationships, professional services, firm memberships, former employers, clients or customers. Describe the arrangements you have made to be compensated in the future for any financial or business interest.

Other than from retirement accounts, I would expect to receive certain additional deferred payments. My current law firm Carter Scholer Arnett Hamada & Mockler, PLLC may distribute a portion of its income to its principals on a deferred basis. As a principal of the firm, I would be entitled to my share of such deferred payments. I would also expect to receive my capital account investment. My former law firm Jones Day will be returning a retainer once all Jones Day foreign and domestic taxes have been paid for the five years while I was a partner there.

21. <u>Outside Commitments During Court Service</u>: Do you have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service with the court? If so, explain.

Time permitting, I would like to continue to teach the Intensive Trial Advocacy Course as a guest instructor at the Notre Dame Law School in South Bend, Indiana, as I have for the past seven years.

22. <u>Sources of Income</u>: List sources and amounts of all income received during the calendar year preceding your nomination and for the current calendar year, including all salaries, fees, dividends, interest, gifts, rents, royalties, licensing fees, honoraria, and other items exceeding \$500 or more (if you prefer to do so, copies of the financial disclosure report, required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, may be substituted here).

See attached Financial Disclosure Report.

23. <u>Statement of Net Worth</u>: Please complete the attached financial net worth statement in detail (add schedules as called for).

See attached Net Worth Statement.

## 24. Potential Conflicts of Interest:

a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, categories of litigation, and financial arrangements that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to arise.

If confirmed, I will carefully review and address any real or potential conflicts in accordance with the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, as well as applicable policies and procedures of the United States Courts and other relevant canons and statutory provisions. I will recuse myself from any case in which I have previously participated as an attorney and in any case in which my law firm was involved while I was a member of the firm. I am unaware of any individuals, whether relatives or otherwise, who would be likely to present a conflict of interest.

b. Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern.

If confirmed, I will comply with the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, all applicable policies and procedures of the United States Courts and other relevant canons and statutory provisions. I will review, on a case-by-case basis, the existence of a potential conflict of interest arising from any personal or former client relationships or financial interests, and will apply generally applicable principles and rules concerning ethics and conflicts of interests in conducting such an inquiry and assessing whether a recusal is warranted.

25. **Pro Bono Work**: An ethical consideration under Canon 2 of the American Bar Association's Code of Professional Responsibility calls for "every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, to find some time to participate in serving the disadvantaged." Describe what you have done to fulfill these responsibilities, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each.

I have devoted myself to community service to help the disadvantaged throughout my career. While I have not maintained specific records of time spent, I estimate that I have spent in excess of 100 hours a year most years (and in many years in excess of 200 hours) volunteering my time and resources to help others.

From 1992 to 1994, I co-chaired Attorneys Serving the Community ("ASC"), a group of women lawyers who combine their resources and talents to raise money and awareness for non-profit organizations whose programs benefit women, children or families. During those years, this group of women named themselves ASC and went from raising approximately \$40,000 each year to more than \$100,000 for the selected non-profit beneficiary. While active in leadership roles in ASC, I estimate that I spent well over 300 hours every year raising public awareness and money for non-profits Bryan's House (1992), Victims Outreach (1993), Camp John Marc (1994), Dallas CASA (1995), Literacy Instruction for Texas ("LIFT") (1996), Nexus (1998) and The Housing Crisis Center (1999). Each of those non-profit organizations exist to benefit the disadvantaged.

I have also actively served on multiple non-profit boards of directors and committees serving the disadvantaged. For instance, I served on the executive board of Camp John Marc for approximately 14 years from 1996 through 2009. This organization is dedicated to serving kids faced with chronic medical and physical challenges with conditions such as cancer, spina bifida, AIDS, and sickle cell anemia. It provides them with medically supervised, high quality, often life impacting camping programs without charge. All of the children are disadvantaged physically and many are disadvantaged economically. For Camp John Marc, I chaired many committees, raised substantial money and went to the the camp location to lay bricks, paint, clean and help however I could. I also served on the board of directors for LIFT from 1995 to 1997. LIFT is a non-profit organization that offers free and easily accessible classes so that functionally illiterate adults can learn to read and write English. Since its founding, over 45,000 low-literate adults have learned to read at LIFT. While on the board at LIFT, I successfully worked to get it to be the 1996 ASC beneficiary, which ultimately raised over \$100,000 for the organization.

I have spent countless hours on many other fundraising efforts and campaigns to assist the disadvantaged. Examples of this would include my service on the board of directors of the Dallas Women's Foundation and as chair of the Dallas Bar Foundation Fellows.

I served for several years as the coach for high school students at the Health Professions High School, which draws many of its students from low income areas, in the annual Dallas Bar Association's mock trial competition. Additionally, I have served multiple times as a judge in mock trial and moot court competitions for Southern Methodist University, the University of Texas and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association.

### 26. Selection Process:

a. Please describe your experience in the entire judicial selection process, from beginning to end (including the circumstances which led to your nomination and

the interviews in which you participated). Is there a selection commission in your jurisdiction to recommend candidates for nomination to the federal courts? If so, please include that process in your description, as well as whether the commission recommended your nomination. List the dates of all interviews or communications you had with the White House staff or the Justice Department regarding this nomination. Do not include any contacts with Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel concerning your nomination.

On July 30, 2014, I submitted an application to the Federal Judiciary Evaluation Committee established by Senator John Cornyn and Senator Ted Cruz for the position of United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. On October 24, 2014, I was interviewed by the Committee in Houston, Texas. On January 26, 2015, I met with Senator Cornyn and Senator Cruz and their counsel in Washington, D.C. On July 9, 2015, Senator Cornyn's office advised me that my name would be submitted to the White House for consideration for the position of United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division.

On April 25, 2015, I submitted an application to the Federal Judiciary Evaluation Committee established by Senator Cornyn and Senator Cruz for the position of United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division (Plano). On July 31, 2015, I was interviewed by the Committee in Dallas, Texas. On September 14, 2015, I met with Congressman Marc Veasey in Dallas, Texas. On November 13, 2015, I was interviewed by Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson and her screening committee in Dallas, Texas. On January 16, 2016, I was notified by the White House Counsel's Office that my name was sent to the Department of Justice to begin formal vetting. Since January 16, 2016, I have been in contact with officials from the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice. On February 29, 2016, I interviewed with attorneys from the White House Counsel's Office and the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. On March 15, 2016, the President submitted my nomination to the Senate.

b. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a judicial nominee discussed with you any currently pending or specific case, legal issue or question in a manner that could reasonably be interpreted as seeking any express or implied assurances concerning your position on such case, issue, or question? If so, explain fully.

No.