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**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**University of Houston Law Center, Criminal Justice Clinic**

*Criminal Justice Clinic Director*

*Professor of Practice*

July 2025 – Present  
Houston, TX

- Supervise and train law students to represent individuals charged with misdemeanor criminal offenses in Texas county courts.
- Teach two weekly clinical courses that combine lectures, discussions, trial-practice exercises, and case rounds.
- Develop and cultivate relationships with community organizations and leaders to establish the Criminal Justice Clinic as a trusted resource for the Historic Third Ward and other parts of Houston.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Khalil & Lake**

*Attorney*

Jan. 2022 – June 2025  
Houston, TX

- Represented clients at every stage of federal prosecution, from investigation through post-conviction appeals.
- Presented three oral arguments in the Fifth Circuit.
- Secured dismissal of one federal criminal case and declination of prosecution in several federal investigations.
- Served on the local Criminal Justice Act panel, accepting appointments to represent indigent defendants before the Fifth Circuit and federal district courts in the Southern District of Texas.

**Federal Public Defender's Office, Southern District of Texas**

*Assistant Federal Public Defender, Trial and Appellate Sections*

July 2015 – Jan. 2022  
Houston &  
Corpus Christi, TX

- Represented more than 300 clients in federal criminal prosecutions and appeals.
- Served as first- and second-chair counsel in five trials.
- Presented three oral arguments in the Fifth Circuit.
- Secured full dismissal of 22 federal cases.
- Served as the office's training director for three years.

**Colorado State Public Defender's Office**

*Deputy State Public Defender*

Jan. 2013 – May 2015  
Alamosa, CO

- Represented clients facing state criminal charges of every severity, ranging from driving under the influence to murder.
- Served as first- and second-chair counsel in eight trials.
- Appeared in court more than 1900 times.
- Supervised and mentored junior attorneys in the office.

## ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Training Director</b> , Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas   | Jan. 2019 – Jan. 2022<br>Houston, TX                               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Planned, organized, and hosted 26 CLEs for the Federal Public Defender's Office and attorneys on the Criminal Justice Act panel for the Southern District of Texas.</li></ul> |  |
| <b>Teacher and Personal Tutor</b> , The Princeton Review  | Oct. 2005 – Nov. 2011<br>College Station, TX<br>& Washington, D.C. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Taught courses and provided individual tutoring, preparing students to take the LSAT, GMAT, GRE, and MCAT Verbal Section.</li></ul>   |  |
| <b>Tutor</b> , Texas A&M Reads and Counts Program   | Sept. 2006 – Apr. 2008<br>College Station, TX                      |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tutored underperforming elementary students in reading and math.</li></ul>  |  |

## EDUCATION

- Georgetown Law**, J.D. 2012
- Dean's List, 2010 – 2012
  - *Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy*, Staff Editor
  - *Georgetown Law Weekly*, Contributor
- Texas A&M University**, B.A. in Philosophy, *magna cum laude*, 2008

## PRESENTATIONS

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| <b>Federal Money Laundering Charges: Prosecutions and Pitfalls</b><br>The State Bar of Texas, Criminal Justice Section CLE Webinar | Nov. 2024  |
| <b>Effective Strategies in Federal Sentencing</b><br>Houston Bar Association, Criminal/Appellate Bench Bar Conference              | Oct. 2024  |
| <b>Beating Federal Money Laundering Charges</b><br>Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, CJA Panel CLE Webinar             | June 2024  |
| <b>The Evolution of Federal Mail and Wire Fraud</b><br>Houston Paralegal Association CLE Webinar                                   | May 2023   |
| <b>The Evolution of Federal Mail and Wire Fraud</b><br>Houston Bar Association CLE Webinar   | Mar. 2023  |
| <b>Defending Cases from the Other Side of the World</b><br>Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, CJA Panel CLE Webinar     | Sept. 2022 |
| <b>Authenticating Electronic Evidence</b><br>Federal Public Defender's Office, E.D. Tenn., CJA Panel CLE Webinar                   | Mar. 2021  |

<b>Digital Device Searches</b> Part of <i>Current Fourth Amendment Law Panel</i> Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, CJA Panel CLE Webinar	Aug. 2020
<b>Authenticating Electronic Evidence</b> Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, Annual Conference	Aug. 2019
<b>Restitution and Forfeiture</b> <i>Defending a White-Collar Case</i> CJA Panel Training Conference	Sept. 2018
<b>The Fourth Amendment and the Internet</b> Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, Annual Conference	Aug. 2018
<b>Fourth Amendment Search and Seizure Issues</b> Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, Annual Conference	Aug. 2016
<b>The Fourth Amendment at Checkpoints in South Texas</b> Federal Public Defender's Office, S.D. Texas, Annual Conference	Sept. 2015

### SELECTED LITIGATION

*United States v. Walker*, No. 4:24-CR-371-10 (S.D. Texas 2025)

- Sole author of motion to dismiss and three supplemental pleadings.

*United States v. Murta*, Nos. 23-20276 & No. 21-20658 (5th Cir. 2023 & 2024)

- Lead writer of four appellate briefs.
- Presented two oral arguments before the Fifth Circuit.
- Persuaded the Fifth Circuit to affirm dismissal of all charges (Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and international money laundering) based on a Speedy Trial Act violation.

*United States v. Campos-Espinosa*, No. 23-40085 (5th Cir. 2023)

- Sole author of appellate brief.
- Persuaded the Fifth Circuit to vacate appellant's jury-trial conviction for international money laundering based on evidentiary insufficiency.

*United States v. Yu*, No. 23-40145 (5th Cir. 2023)

- Sole author of two appellate briefs.
- Presented oral argument before the Fifth Circuit.

*United States v. London*, No. 17-20420 (5th Cir. 2018)

- Presented oral argument before the Fifth Circuit.
- Persuaded the Fifth Circuit to vacate three of appellant's jury-trial convictions for bank robbery and attempted bank robbery.

**BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

<b>Colorado</b>	2012
<b>Southern District of Texas</b>	2015
<b>U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit</b>	2016
<b>Texas</b>	2022