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Admitted to State Bar of Texas, November 2012

EDUCATION

University of Houston Law Center, *Master of Laws in Health Law* December 2015

University of Houston Law Center, *Juris Doctor* May 2012

- Mediation Competition, **Semifinalist**
- Moot Court Competition, **Quarterfinalist**
- Student Bar Association, Member
- Advocates, Member
- 40-Hour Mediation Training
- Mediator, UHLC Mediation Clinic

University of Houston, C.T. Bauer College of Business, *BBA Finance*
May 2009

- **Honors College**
- **Terry Scholar**
- Bauer Pre-Law Society, **President**
- Bauer Ambassador, **VP**
- Orthodox Christian Fellowship, **VP**
- Finance Association

EXPERIENCE

University of Houston Law Center, Civil Justice Clinic, Houston, TX

Senior Legal Clinic Supervisor, September 2022 – Present

- Supervise law students in handling pro bono cases involving family law, probate, guardianship, landlord/tenant and a wide array of consumer law.
- Assist the Director of the Civil Justice Clinic in teaching courses on a variety of litigation topics, including client intake and counseling, the Harris County court system, discovery, trial prep, and the law in different areas of practice, such as family and probate.
- Review law students' drafts of numerous pleadings and motions ranging from pre-trial to post-trial.
- Supervise Texas State Bar Authorized law students in court hearings.
- Manage a case load involving various practice areas, including family law, probate, guardianship, landlord/tenant and a wide array of consumer law.

Shatleh Law PLLC, Houston, TX

Attorney/Founder, August 2014 – Present

- Manage all aspects of my business, including marketing, accounting, billing and practicing law.
- Handle and attend mediations, depositions and hearings on a complex case load, involving family law, wills and estates law and small business law, from intake to discovery and trial.
- Efficiently research and analyze family law, wills and estates law and small business law case matters.
- Draft numerous pleadings and motions ranging from pre-trial to post-trial.
- Transform legal practice to effectively run remotely.
- Virtually consult and communicate with all clients, counsels and court staff, and attend remote hearings and mediations.
- Mentor student interns, and train interns in all aspects of litigation, including client intake, discovery, drafting of pleadings and preparing for and attending court hearings.
- Delegate administrative tasks to legal assistant.

Kelley Kronenberg, Houston, TX

Associate, June 2013 – June 2014

- Participated in and managed fast-paced and voluminous case load from case intake to discovery and trial preparation; also, actively involved in settlement negotiations and drafting settlement agreements.

- Efficiently researched and analyzed federal and administrative law.
- Effectively summarized complex medical records and advised insurance companies on case strategy in status reports.
- Crafted arguments in drafting pleadings and motions, including dispositive motions.

Texas Children’s Hospital, Risk Management Department, Houston, TX

Graduate Fellow, August 2012 – November 2012

- Participated in meetings with general counsel, patient safety, risk management, nurses and doctors pertaining to investigations, action plans, and educational seminars.
- Researched risk management issues and policies and used findings to advise nurses and the risk management department.

Hospital Division of Harris County District Attorney’s Office, Houston, TX

Intern, December 2011 – March 2012

- Drafted memoranda and pleadings, including a plea to the jurisdiction and a motion for judgment notwithstanding the verdict, using research findings addressing various issues ranging from employment law to risk management.
- Drafted response letters to employees, students, and third parties outlining County positions on various issues.
- Observed internal division meetings regarding bioethical issues, medical records, and facilities planning.

Henke Law Firm, LLP, Houston, TX

Law Clerk, May 2011 – August 2011

- Independently drafted memoranda, pleadings, and briefs related to general business litigation practice.
- Conducted business investigation for claims and transactions; observed and assisted with several hearings and depositions.
- Composed a no-evidence and traditional motion for summary judgment in a personal injury case.

Harris County District Attorney’s Office, Houston, TX

Spring Intern, January 2011 – May 2011

- Researched and analyzed cases and produced several written projects, including trial and case briefs.
- Assisted and prepared for client interviews, and negotiations with defendants and their attorneys.

Watt Beckworth, L.L.P., Houston, TX

Intern, May 2010 – August 2010

- Conducted legal research and drafted memoranda on products liability, arbitration, and oil & gas.
- Attended and assisted with depositions, discovery, and pretrial court proceedings.
- Helped prepare a case for trial against the federal government involving the Federal Tort Claims Act.

SKILLS & COMMUNITY SERVICE

- **Former Board Member and Current Member, Prevent Blindness Texas**
- Languages: Proficient in Arabic; beginner in Spanish.
- Community Service: Sunday School Teacher; Will-a-thon; and Houston Food Bank