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Experience:

06.01.10-Present City of Corpus Christi Juvenile Municipal Court Judge

- Responsible for all Juvenile Court Dockets: arraignments, compliance dockets, motions to revoke, bench trials and jury trials.
- Accept pleas at arraignment and set disposition, including but not limited to curfew, drug testing, drug classes, attendance, anger management, license suspensions, theft classes, parenting and community service.
- Contempt hearings, show cause hearings and reviews.
- Set fines and terms of deferred disposition and case management.
- Magistrate at City of Corpus Christi Detention Center.
- Conduct trials at adult Corpus Christi Municipal Court, show cause and compliance hearings.

02.01.06-06.30.2010 Nueces County Magistrate Nueces County Magistrate Court

- Responsible for Magistrating all defendants arrested by non-ccpd police agencies, including parole and out of county arrestees. Review application for court appointed attorneys and make appropriate appointments.
- Hear misdemeanor and felony pleas, sentence defendants to Nueces County jail or Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- Review and monitor personal bond requests on a daily basis.
- Sign warrants, probation conditions, issue Emergency Protection Orders, conduct AR felony status hearings, bond reductions and CCP 15.051 hearings.
- Call dockets in the 148th, 117th, 319th, 105th and 347th District Courts.
- Hear motions to suppress, discovery motions and motions to revoke probation.
- Conducts probation reviews and early terminations.
- Held court in DWI Court and Divert Court.
- Responsible for monitoring and timely setting of Examinations for Competency.

02.2004-Present City of Corpus Christi Magistrate C.C. Municipal Court

- Magistrates all accused arrested by Corpus Christi Police Department, reviews application for court appointed counsel with defendant.
- Reviews all cases for probable cause based on probable cause statement, set bond.
- Reviews 48 hour holds and requests for Emergency Protective Orders.
- Reads over probable cause affidavits for search, arrest and blood warrants.
- Works in Municipal Court, Environmental and Juvenile Court to cover dockets, warrant roundup vacations and call outs.
- Responsible for presiding over jury trials, bench trials, pretrial matters and other contested matters.

02.2004-06.30.2010 Criminal Defense Attorney

- Represented juveniles accused of delinquent conduct including crimes involving: murder, aggravated robberies
- and sexual assaults.
- Defended juveniles in certification hearings, determinate sentencing hearings.
- Represented children in CPS cases, represented parents in CPS cases.
- Responsible as Ad Litem to seek the best interest of the child.
- As advocate for parent sought the reunification of family via the policy and procedures set by CPS.
- Participated in trials for termination of parental rights.

1999-2004

Assistant District Attorney

Nueces County D.A.

- Responsible for intake of all cases submitted to the Nueces County Juvenile District Attorney's Office
- Determined proper charges based on factual evidence in officer's report.
- Interviewed witnesses, prepared for bench trials and jury trials.
- Conducted certification hearings to transfer appropriate cases to Nueces County District Court.
- Presented cases to Nueces County Grand Jury for acceptance of determinate sentencing recommendation.
- Conducted all detention hearings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Conducted motions to revoke probation and conducted disposition hearings.
- Worked with all law enforcement agencies for the timely adjudication of juvenile cases.
- Conducted transfer hearings for TYC if juvenile was to be transferred from TYC to TDC based on determinate sentencing.
- Managed Juvenile District Attorney Division from 2000-2004.

Education: 1995 Bachelors of Science, Texas A&M, C.C.
 1998 Juris Doctorate, South Texas College of Law

-2004 Corpus Christi Young Lawyer of the Year
-Leadership Corpus Christi Class 38

References Available Upon Request