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EXPERIENCE

Intentional Career Break, Across the U.S., 2020-2023

Long-distance Hiker. Achieved dream of hiking thousands of miles across the United States. Survived wildfires, running out of food, and a stand-off with a wolf. Wrote the first draft of a novel.

Haynes & Boone, LLP, Houston, TX, Summer 2012 & 2013-2020

Associate. Diverse practice focused on business litigation. Briefed and argued motions, took and defended depositions, tried cases, and wrote appellate briefs.

Harris County District Attorney's Office, Houston, TX, Summer 2011

Appellate Intern. Wrote three appellate briefs and assisted prosecutors with JP, misdemeanor, and felony dockets.

Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, Houston, TX, 2006-2010

Autopsy Assistant. Assisted physicians and investigators with post-mortem examinations and collection of medical and legal evidence.

EDUCATION

University of Houston, J.D., magna cum laude, 2013

Brief Writer, National Championship & Best Brief, 2012 John R. Brown Moot Court Competition

Associate Editor, Houston Law Review

AmJur Awards (highest grades in first-year classes) – Property, Constitutional Law

Cal Poly Humboldt, B.A., English, with honors, 2006

National Merit Scholarship

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary interests: Legal Research & Writing Additional Interests: Clinical (Civil Practice)

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Law Review Articles & Book Chapter

Nuisance Cases Against Energy Companies in Texas, Pennsylvania, and Other Areas with Significant or Developing Oil and Gas Exploration, 59 S. Tex. L. Rev. 447 (2018) (with M. Mazzone, S. Dillard, and L. Brogdon) (also published in 47 Tex. J. Bus. L. 1 (2017))

Chapter 30—Torts in 45-46 Texas Practice Series: Texas Environmental Law (2014-2015 ed.) (with M. Mazzone)

Other Publications

Class Action Royalty Litigation in the Shale Plays, LEXOLOGY, (Sept. 19, 2018), https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=eef951e6-0aa1-4109-a220-7f4dadfb4420 (with D. Ammons)

Nuisance is a Legal Injury, Not a Cause of Action – A Waltz Across Texas Nuisance Law, Lexology, (July 22 2016), https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=1fd51d69-flee-4a6a-ac6b-d1e5ca76f9e4 (with J. Civins and M. Mazzone)

Texas Supreme Court dodges subsurface trespass question a second time, Lexology, (Feb. 10, 2015), https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=307cd5b6-bd53-42fb-848c-b4adbcc6d570 (with D. Jackson, R. Thibault, and M. Trachtenberg)

CFAA Claims by Software Vendors for Unauthorized Access to Their Licensed Software on Their Clients' Computers, Law360, (Jan. 14, 2015), https://www.law360.com/amp/articles/611167 (with P. Grosdidier)

Lightning Oil Company v. Anadarko E&P Offshore, LLC, LEXOLOGY (Nov. 4, 2014), https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=35c02c8b-6bc4-46f2-b846-166b9f8d3c12 (with D. Jackson)

Takeaways for Texas Contractors Post-Barzoukas, Law360, (Sept. 18, 2014), https://www.law360.com/amp/articles/572569 (with P. Grosdider)

Differing Results in Recent Nuisance Cases Against Oil and Gas Operators, TEXAS LAWYER, (Sept. 4, 2014), https://www.law.com/texaslawyer/almID/1202668900087/ (with M. Mazzone)

Texas Supreme Court denies litigants' petition to review the contours of the Texas economic loss rule, Lexology (Aug 26 2014) https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=ed3ecada-ac02-45ff-b378-4220984894e6 (with M. Mazzone and P. Grosdidier)

When Employees Leave with Electronic Files: The CFAA's Eclectic Damage and Loss Case Law Illustrated, Bloomberg BNA Electronic Commerce & Law Report (May 21, 2014), https://news.bloomberglaw.com/tech-and-telecom-law/when-employees-leave-with-electronic-files-the-cfaas-eclectic-damage-and-loss-case-law-illustrated (with P. Grosdidier)

Conferences & Presentations

"Hidden Danger in North Dakota's Unlocatable Mineral Owner Statute," Doing Business in the Bakken Shale: What In-House Counsel Need to Know, Houston, TX, Mar. 8, 2018.

"Energy Law Roundup," (panelist), Institute for Energy Law Young Energy Professional's Law Conference, New Orleans, LA, Apr. 1, 2017.

"Case Law Update," Corpus Christi Association of Professional Landmen Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, Oct. 10, 2016.

"Update on Texas Case Law," American Association of Professional Landmen's 2016 Texas Land Institute, Houston, TX, Sept. 26, 2016.

"Update on North Dakota River Bed Cases," 2nd Annual Challenges for Texas Companies Operating in the Bakken Shale, Houston, TX, May 11, 2016.

"Underground Trespass," (paper co-author with presenter D. Jackson), State Bar of Texas Oil & Gas Disputes Course, Houston, TX, January 8-9, 2015.

"Nuisance Lawsuits, Fracing Bans, and Related Litigation," (paper co-author with presenter M. Mazzone), State Bar of Texas Oil & Gas Disputes Course, Houston, TX, January 8-9, 2015.

"What is Going on Down There? Recent Oil and Gas Development Litigation," (paper co-author with presenter M. Mazzone), American Bar Association 32nd Annual Water Law Conference, Las Vegas, NV, June 4-6, 2014.

BAR ADMISSIONS

State: Texas

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REFERENCES

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