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LEGAL EXPERIENCE

INDEPENDENT HEARING EXAMINER

Texas Education Agency

2/2022 – Present

- Serve as both judge and jury in hearings, resembling a court trial structure.
- Maintain impartiality and do not take sides with any party, operating independently of the TEA.
- Responsibilities include overseeing the hearing process, considering arguments from both sides, examining evidence, and issuing written recommendations/decisions.

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

- Professional Responsibility 8/2017 – 5/2019
- Appellate Litigation 1/2019 - Present

FOUNDER/OWNER

The Anthony Scott Law Firm, PLLC, Houston, Texas

3/2021- Present

- Court Appointed Receiver to collect judgments.
- Mediate various civil cases, including breach of contract and real estate disputes.
- Prosecute and defend family law matters including but not limited to protective orders, divorces, child support, custody, and property division.
- Prosecute breach of contract suits on behalf of lenders; prosecute wrongful foreclosure and injunction suits, including drafting and responding to pleadings such as petitions, answers, motions for summary judgment and discovery; negotiation and mediation involvement; and appear at hearings and trials.
- Prosecute personal injury suits; prosecute and defend credit card suits; handle business bankruptcy matters, including debtor and creditor representation at hearings on Motions for Relief, creditors' meetings, confirmation hearings and claim litigation.
- Represent judgement creditors and receivers in collection matters.

OF COUNSEL

Hoover Slovacek LLP, Houston, Texas

12/2014 – 3/2021

- Represent debtors, creditors, and an official equity committee in large and complex business bankruptcy cases.
- Assist companies in restructuring their business.
- Represent judgment creditors and receivers in receivership cases; and receivership appointments.
- Assist businesses in winding down.
- Prosecute and defend adversary proceeding in bankruptcy cases.

FOUNDER/OWNER

Law Offices of Brendetta Anthony Scott, Houston, Texas

12/2011- 4/2012; 2/2014 – 11/2014

- Prosecute breach of contract suits on behalf of lenders; prosecute wrongful foreclosure and injunction suits, including drafting and responding to pleadings such as petitions, answers, motions for summary judgment and discovery; negotiation and mediation involvement; and appear at hearings and trials.
- Prosecute personal injury suits; prosecute and defend credit card suits; handle bankruptcy matters, including hearings on Motions for Relief, creditors' meetings, confirmation hearings and proofs of claim litigation.
- Prosecute/Defend evictions and all other collection matters.
- Practice probate law, family law, personal injury, bankruptcy, civil litigation, foreclosure law, title disputes, including title reviews and title claims.
- Represent judgement creditors and receivers in collection matters.

PARTNER

Garner Scott & Jones PLLC, Houston, Texas

8/2012 – 1/2014

- Mediate cases: Breach of Contract, Personal Injury, etc.
- Prosecute and defend breach of contract suits on behalf of consumers; prosecute wrongful foreclosure and injunction suits, including drafting and responding to pleadings such as petitions, answers, motions for summary judgment and discovery; negotiation and mediation involvement; and appear at hearings and trials.
- Prosecute personal injury suits; prosecute and defend credit card suits; handle bankruptcy matters, including filing Chapter 7, 11, and 13 cases, attending hearings on Motions for Relief, creditors' meetings, confirmation hearings and proofs of claim litigation.
- Prosecute/Defend evictions matters.
- Practice family law, personal injury, bankruptcy, eviction, civil litigation, foreclosure law, title disputes, including title reviews and title claims.
- Represent Receivers in collection matters.

ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

Hughes, Watters & Askanase, LLP, Houston, Texas

5/2003 – 12/2011

- Supervise Home Equity Foreclosure, Eviction and Bankruptcy Departments.
- Review and analyze title reports, home equity loan and bankruptcy documents.
- Represent mortgagees in bankruptcy court and state court, including hearings on Motions for Relief, home equity foreclosures, evictions, and all other collection matters.
- Prosecute sequestration and breach of contract suits on behalf of lenders and defend wrongful foreclosure and injunction suits against lenders, including drafting and responding to pleadings such as petitions, answers, motions for summary judgment and discovery; negotiation and mediation involvement; and appear at hearings and trials.

ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

Barrett, Burke, Wilson, Castle, Daffin & Frappier, Houston, Texas

1/2002 – 11/2002

- Researched and resolved problematic bankruptcy issues.
- Prepared and reviewed proofs of claim, Motions for Relief, agreed orders, default letters, notices of termination; and attend motion for relief hearings.

LEASE & TITLE ADMINISTRATOR

American Tower Corporation, AT & T Fixed Wireless Project, Stafford, Texas

11/2000 – 11/2001

- Negotiated, reviewed, and analyzed leases and licenses.
- Analyzed and drafted legal documents real estate transactions.

ASSOCIATE

Brown & Hixon, Houston, Texas

12/1999 – 10/2000

- As a new associate, interviewed and communicated with clients regarding family law, personal injury, and miscellaneous civil legal matters.
- Researched case law and drafted discovery.

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Honorable Bankruptcy Judge Manuel Leal, Houston, Texas

Fall 1998

- Reviewed and summarized motions submitted by parties in a case.
- Updated case dockets, researched case law and statutes; and observed trials.

EDUCATION

Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Houston, Texas

Juris Doctorate, May 1999

- Class rank: Top 20%
- Graduated Cum Laude

Jackson State University (W.E.B. Du Bois Honors College), Jackson, MS

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, May 1996

- Full Academic Scholarship Recipient
- Presidential and Dean's List Scholar
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude

Mississippi Delta Community College, Moorhead, MS

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts, May 1994 – Magna Cum Laude

TRIAL EXPERIENCE

- First-Chair in multiple contested matters in various bankruptcy courts, including hearings on motions to lift stay, objections to motions to extend the automatic stay, objections to motions to impose the automatic stay, objections to claims and objections to plan confirmations
- First-Chair in multiple home equity foreclosure proceedings in various state courts, including Harris, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery, and Galveston counties
- First-Chair in multiple eviction suits in various Justice of the Peace Courts, including Harris, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery, and Galveston counties
- First-Chair in multiple eviction suits appealed to county courts, including Harris, Montgomery, and Galveston counties
- First-Chair in multiple credit card litigation cases in county courts, including Harris, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery, and Galveston counties
- First-Chair in multiple cases regarding family law, sequestration and breach of retail installment contracts for mobile homes and vehicles in county and district courts, including Harris, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery, and Galveston counties

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

- State Bar of Texas, November 1999; Texas Bar College
- Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, June 2023
- Southern District of Texas, May 19, 2000

- Eastern District of Texas, May 13, 2002
- Northern District of Texas, June 27, 2002
- Western District of Texas, August 28, 2002
- Certified Mediator
- Certification in Women's Entrepreneurship from Cornell University

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

- 2021 Panel Speaker on "Family Violence" for Texas Modern CLE
- 2021 Speaker for the Houston Bar Association regarding "Bankruptcy Basics for Non-Bankruptcy Lawyers"
- 2022 and 2021 – Article for Westlaw: "Residential Foreclosure (TX)"
- 2018 Thurgood Marshall School of Law Barristers' Brunch Series: "Bankruptcy 101"
- 2011 Planning Committee, Speaker and Moderator for the Houston Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys and The Houston Bar Association Bankruptcy Section's CLE entitled: "A Practitioner's Guide to Protecting the Clients' Homestead: The Intersection of Bankruptcy Law, Foreclosure Law, Eviction Law, Family Law and Mortgage law"
- 2011 Planning Committee for the State Bar of Texas CLE for Advanced Consumer Bankruptcy
- 2010 Speaker for the State Bar of Texas CLE for Advanced Consumer and Commercial Law, Dallas, TX – Paper entitled: "Evaluating and Achieving the Collectability of a Consumer Law Case" (Co-Author)
- 2010 Speaker for the Houston Association of Bankruptcy Paralegals First Annual Meeting & Full Day CLE Seminar Developed for the Consumer and Business Bankruptcy Paralegal, Houston, TX – Paper entitled: "Working Cooperatively with the Mortgage Lenders" (Co-Author)
- 2010 Speaker for University of Texas Consumer Bankruptcy Conference, Galveston, TX – Paper entitled: "Skits Regarding the Practice of Bankruptcy Law" (Co-Author)
- 2010 Speaker for the State Bar of Texas Advanced Consumer Bankruptcy Course, Dallas, TX – Paper entitled: "Recent Developments in Consumer Bankruptcy" (Co-Author)
- 2010 Co-Author of Paper entitled: "Bankruptcy and Ethical Issues in Foreclosure and Bankruptcy Practice" for the Texas Foreclosure and Bankruptcy Practice for Paralegals Seminar sponsored by Half Moon, LLC
- Fall 2009, Vol. 11, No. 1: Commercial & Business Litigation Newsletter, American Bar Association, Section of Litigation – Article entitled: "Attorneys Who Mishandle Their Clients' Proofs of Claim Leave Themselves Open to Significant Blame" (Co-Author)
- 2009 Spring Luncheon Panel Participant for the Downtown Group regarding, "Springing Out of Economic Troubled Waters: Foreclosures, Bankruptcies and Debt Collections"
- 2009 Speaker for University of Texas Consumer Bankruptcy Conference, Galveston, TX – Paper entitled: "Skits Regarding Ethical Issues in Bankruptcy" (Co-Author)
- 2008 Speaker for University of Texas Consumer Bankruptcy Conference, Galveston, TX – Paper entitled: "Houses: Key Issues and Case Law Developments in Bankruptcy" (Co-Author)
- 2008 Speaker for the First Southern District of Texas Bench Bar Conference, Woodlands, TX
- 2008 Planning Committee Member for the State Bar of Texas 2008 Consumer Bankruptcy Course
- 2007 and 2008 Speaker for the University of Houston Law Center CLE, "Collecting Debts & Judgments", Houston & Dallas, TX

- 2007 Speaker for the National Business Institute, “Bankruptcy Law & Procedures from Start to Finish”, Dallas, TX – Booklet entitled: Bankruptcy Law & Procedures from Start to Finish (Co-Author)
- 2006 Speaker for Sterling Education Services CLE, “Landlord & Tenant Law”, Houston, TX –Paper entitled: “Landlord and Tenant Obligations: A Tug-of-War” (Author)

HONORS/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Jeff Bohm’s Invitee to attend 5th Circuit Judicial Conference, May 2009
- 2020-2021 President-Elect of Moller-Foltz American Inns of Court; Executive Committee Member and Chair of Mentor/Mentee Program, 2018-2019
- Houston Bar Association (Co-Chair of Professionalism Committee, 2008-2009; Co-Chair of Law Week Committee, 2007-2008; and Member of the Speakers’ Bureau Committee 2008-2009; Law Week Committee, 2008-2010; Professionalism Committee, 2008-2010; and Minority Opportunities in the Legal Professional Committee, 2009-2010); Treasurer of the Bankruptcy Section, 2012-2013; Chair Elect of the Bankruptcy Section, 2013-2014; President of the Bankruptcy Section, 2014-2015
- 2010, 2008 and 2007 Texas “Rising Star” Super Lawyer featured in *Texas Monthly*
- 2009 Equal Access “Star” of the Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program
- *2010 Cambridge Who’s Who*
- *2009 and 2011 Who’s Who in Black Houston*
- Fort Bend County Bar Association
- Houston Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys (“HACBA”)
- Arthur Moller/David Foltz Bankruptcy Inn of Court
- Houston Association of Young Bankruptcy Lawyers
- Houston Young Lawyers Association
- Houston Lawyers Association
- Downtown Group
- Texas Bar Foundation (2009 – 2010 Nominating Committee Member)
- Houston Habitat for Humanity
- Houston Food Bank
- Shape Community Center