



CHARLES BAXTER

Charles Baxter has over thirty years of experience, including service as a Police Officer and Municipal Court Judge. He has a unique perspective of the security needs of the Texas Courts. He is a licensed Physical Security Consultant in Texas and certified as a Physical Security Professional (PSP) through the American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS). Mr. Baxter has designed, implemented, and managed successful security solutions for global and local companies.

KELLY CROW

Kelly Crow is the Presiding Judge for the City of Fulshear and the Deputy City Attorney (Prosecutor) for the City of Sugarland. Ms. Crow has been with the City of Sugarland since 2005 and has held her current position since 2007.

Judge Crow received her Bachelor's in Political Science from Texas A&M in 1994 and her Juris Doctorate from South Texas College of Law in 1997. Judge Crow is a part of the Fort Bend County Bar Association, Texas Municipal Court Association and Board of Directors – Literacy Council of Fort Bend County.

She has two boys ages 11 and eight years old, Cullen and Garrett. Her house is like a WWF wrestling match.

FREDERICK P. GARCIA JR.

Frederick P. Garcia Jr. is currently the municipal court clerk for San Antonio. Mr. Garcia graduated from St. Mary's University with a degree in business administration and later Texas Tech University with his juris doctorate.

Mr. Garcia has previously worked as a municipal court prosecutor, and bank auditor, as he has also served as an attorney in a private practice that concentrated on criminal defense and family law.

DAVID HAMILTON

Mr. Hamilton has been licensed to practice law in Texas for over thirty years, spending the majority of that time as an attorney in private practice. In the last ten years, one of his clients has been the City of Reno, Lamar County. Hamilton worked as a law enforcement officer during undergraduate school at Texas Tech University and later during law school at Texas Tech. He holds the Advanced Law Enforcement License, as well as the Instructor's Certification from the Texas Commission on Law

Enforcement Standards and Education. He is a member of the National Order of Barristers and Hamilton has participated in every type of criminal case, from traffic tickets to capital murder. Following law school, Hamilton served as a briefing attorney for the Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin, then began his legal career which has included five years as a felony prosecutor.

Born in Lubbock, Hamilton's published articles including "Multiple Personality Disorder: Competency and the Insanity Defense" and "Expert Witness Testimony."

GILBERT HERNANDEZ

Gilbert Hernandez has been with the City of Fort Worth for 14 years. He has been the Deputy Clerk for the past three years. Prior to working with

the City of Fort Worth, Mr. Hernandez was a training manager for Payless Shoes.

Mr. Hernandez received his Bachelor's in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix in 2006 and his Masters in Management from Texas Wesleyan University. He is a member of the Hispanic Leadership Organization in Fort Worth and is a Licensed Court Interpreter in English/Spanish.

BRIAN S. HOLMAN

Brian Holman is the Presiding Judge for the City of Lewisville as well as the prosecutor for the City of Northlake and the City of Justin. Prior to taking the bench full-time, he had a solo law practice for 10 years in Denton, Texas, with an emphasis in family law and criminal defense. Judge Holman is currently serving as President-Elect for the Texas Municipal Courts Association (TMCA) and has been on the faculty of the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center since 2001..

Judge Holman was born and raised in San Diego, California and attended Brigham Young University where he received a bachelor's degree in Political Science. He later went on to receive his law degree from the University of Arkansas. While living in Spain, Judge Holman developed a fluency in the Spanish language which he continues to use as judge. He currently resides in Denton with his wife and two daughters.

LISA HOWARD

Lisa Howard has been in the municipal court for over 11 years. She has an Associates degree in Political Science/Paralegal and has attained her Texas Court Clerks Certification. She is currently serving the City of Hurst in areas such as Customer Service Advisory Team, Leadership Council and Deferred Compensation Committee. Lisa also serves on the Texas Court Clerks Association Board of Directors as Director

at Large, and member of the education committee. Additionally, she serves on the North Texas Court Clerks Chapter as Vice President, member of the education committee, and chair of the historian committee. Lisa also serves the Texas Court Clerk's Association as a prep-session facilitator for the Texas Court Clerks Certification Program. She also enjoys helping others in leadership development and is an active mentor for the Certification program.

SUE KENNEDY

Sue Kennedy is the Court Manager for the City of Lewisville and has over 18 years of work experience in local government. Ms. Kennedy has attained her Level II certification and is currently working on Level III.

She serves on the North Texas Chapter of the Texas Court Clerks Association as Vice-President and has previously served as Treasurer. For the past five years, she has instructed the Level I, Level II Prep Courses, and other court related topics.

SANDRA L. MABBETT

Sandra Mabbett is the Judicial Information Analyst for the Office of Court Administration's Research and Court Services Division. Judicial Information staff are responsible for collecting, analyzing, and publishing court activity statistics and other judicial data. She has served in this position since 2004.

Prior to her employment with OCA, she was employed by the federal government for 25 years.

Ms. Mabbett is a native of upstate New York who moved to Austin in 1978.

CATHY RIEDEL

Cathy Riedel is the Program Director for the Clerks' Program at TMCEC. She graduated from Texas A&M University with a degree in Political Science and obtained her law degree from St. Mary's University. After graduating from law school, she worked for the Court of Criminal Appeals as a briefing attorney and research assistant. Her legal practice has focused primarily on municipal law issues for the last 20 years. She has worked as City Attorney or assistant city attorney for the cities of Topeka, Georgetown, and Round Rock and served as municipal judge for the City of Liberty Hill for several years. Ms. Riedel taught trial advocacy and supervised third year law students in the Legal Clinic at Washburn University Law School. When she is not sitting in traffic on MoPac, she enjoys gardening and spoiling her two mustangs, four children, dogs, cats, and husband.

PAT RIFFEL

Pat Riffel, CMCC, is the Court Administrator for the City of Pearland. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and is a Licensed Social Worker. She joined the court clerk profession in December 2002. She is a Level III, Certified Municipal Court Clerk. She has also achieved status as a Certified Court Manager through the Institute of Court Management. She has served as faculty for TMCEC for six years.

Ms. Riffel is a member of the TCCA Education Committee and chair of the scholarship committee. She is a member of the Gulf Coast Chapter of TCCA where she serves as publication chair and editor of the chapter newsletter.

TED WOOD

Mr. Wood is employed as Assistant General Counsel for the Office of Court Administration

(OCA). Prior to joining OCA, Mr. Wood served as Randall County Judge from 1995 to 2002. He has taught state and federal government classes at Amarillo College and has worked as a briefing attorney for the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo. Mr. Wood is a 1991 graduate of Baylor Law School where he was a Notes and Comments Editor on the Baylor Law Review. He earned an undergraduate degree in Business from the University of Wisconsin.