

CENTRAL

Clark E. Smith, previously with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, is now an associate of Kelly Hart & Hallman, 303 Colorado St., Ste. 2000, Austin 78701.

Three attorneys received 2017 Austin Under 40 Awards from the Young Women's Alliance and Young Men's Business League: **Becky H. Diffen**, of McGuireWoods in Austin, for Engineering, Energy, Mobility & Systems Sciences; **Milam Foster Newby**, of Vinson & Elkins in Austin, for Legal; and **Rudolph "Rudy" K. Metayer**, of Chamberlain McHaney in Austin, for Civics, Government & Public Affairs.

Sandra D. Gonzalez has been promoted to shareholder in Greenberg Traurig, 300 W. Sixth St., Ste. 2050, Austin 78701. **Janis E. Clements** has been promoted to of counsel to the firm.

Christopher Gunter, of Gunter, Bennett & Anthes in Austin, was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Anna Kuhn is now senior counsel to Pirkey Barber, 600 Congress Ave., Ste. 2120, Austin 78701. **Kate Swint** is now an associate of the firm.

J.R. Morgan, previously with Morgan, is now counsel to Andrews Kurth Kenyon, 111 Congress Ave., Ste. 1700, Austin 78701.

Paul Parsons, of the Immigration Law Office of Paul Parsons in Austin, and **Stuart D. Colburn**, of Downs Stanford in West Lake Hills, received a Standing Ovation Award from TexasBarCLE.

EAST

Kent Phillips has been appointed judge of Gregg County Court at Law No. 1, 101 E. Methvin, Ste. 416, Longview 75601.

GULF

The Adkins Firm has opened a new office at Williams Tower, 2800 Post

Oak Blvd., Ste. 4100, Houston 77056.

Jonathan Sneed is now an associate of Abraham, Watkins, Nichols, Sorrels, Agosto & Aziz, 800 Commerce St., Houston 77002.

Tyler T. VanHoutan, previously with Winston & Strawn, is now a partner in McGuireWoods, 600 Travis St., Ste. 7500, Houston 77002.

David E. Taylor, previously with Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, is now a partner in Holland & Knight, 1100 Louisiana St., Ste. 4300, Houston 77002.

Fred Tuthill, of Winstead in Houston, was elected to the firm's board of directors. **Mark Guthrie**, also with the firm, was appointed to the Board of the National Association of Workforce Boards.

Aly Dossa, previously with Osha Liang, is now an equity shareholder in Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, 1200 Smith St., 14th Fl., Houston 77002.

Jessica Collins is now an associate of Wagner & Saenz, 1010 Lamar St., Ste. 425, Houston 77002.

Vasilia M. Wilkes, previously with Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, is now senior counsel to Columbia Lloyds Insurance Company, 2200 W. Alabama St., Ste. 210, Houston 77098.

James Richards, previously with Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey, is now an associate of Porter Hedges, 1000 Main St., 36th Fl., Houston 77002.

Shauna R. Collins is now an associate of Farner & Perrin, 2801 Post Oak Blvd., Ste. 260, Houston 77056.

Kevin J. White, of Hunton & Williams' Washington, D.C., and Houston offices, is now co-chair of the firm's labor and employment practice.

Stephen Cooney, of Gray Reed & McGraw in Houston, is now certified in commercial real estate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. **Katie English**, also with the firm, is now certified in oil, gas, and mineral law. **Nancy Bostic**, previously with Andrews Kurth Kenyon, is now a partner in the firm, 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Ste. 2000, Houston 77056.

Jennifer O'Brien Stogner, previously with Lapidus Knudsen, is now a senior associate of the Oweysi Law Firm, 3200 Southwest Fwy., Ste. 1100, Houston 77027.

Edward A. Clarkson III, previously with Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, is now an associate of Andrews Kurth Kenyon, 600 Travis St., Ste. 4200, Houston 77002.

Phillip Sharp, previously with Martin, Disiere, Jefferson & Wisdom, is now a shareholder in Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, 1301 McKinney St., Ste. 3700, Houston 77010.

Mark D. Lambert is now an associate of Germer, 550 Fannin St., Ste. 400, Beaumont 77701. **Elizabeth A. "Lisa" Massey** is now an associate of the firm's Houston office, 2929 Allen Pkwy., Ste. 2900, 77019.

Matthew W. Bourda is now an associate of Acosta Law, 13831 Northwest Fwy., Ste. 400, Houston 77040.

Lewis Thomas, previously with the Offices of the Western District of Texas United States Attorneys in Del Rio, has opened Lewis Thomas Law, 405 Main St., Houston 77002.

Stephen P. Koch, of Montgomery, received a Standing Ovation Award from TexasBarCLE.

NORTH

Tom Melsheimer, of Winston & Strawn in Dallas, has been elected to the firm's executive committee. **Geoffrey Harper**,

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Michael Bittner, and **Chad B. Walker**, all previously with Fish & Richardson, are now partners in the firm, 2501 N. Harwood St., 17th. Fl., Dallas 75201.

Scott Lindsey, previously with Aldrich, is now a partner in Gardner & Smith, 3821 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth 76107.

Deborah Hankinson, with Hankinson in Dallas, received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Texas at Dallas.

Jonathan Wilson, previously with Littler Mendelson, is now a shareholder in Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, 8117 Preston Rd., Ste. 500, Dallas 75225. **Jeffrey Leslie** and **James McBride**, both also previously with Littler Mendelson, are now associates of the firm.

Amy C. Wright, previously with the Law Office of Driskell & Lawrence, is now senior counsel to Munck Wilson Mandala, 600 Banner Place Tower, 12770 Coit Rd., Dallas 75251. **Wei Wei** is now of counsel to the firm.

Scott Sample, previously with Booth Albanesi Schroeder, is now a partner in Culhane Meadows, 100 Crescent Ct., Ste. 700, Dallas 75201. **Matthew P. Harper**, previously with the Harper IP Group, is now a partner in the firm and has been named to Southern Methodist University's Industry Advisory Board for Computer Science and Engineering.

Stephanie Smiley and **Steven V. Walkowiak** have been promoted to shareholders in Greenberg Traurig, 2200 Ross Ave., Ste. 5200, Dallas 75201.

Amber Rogers, **Eric R. Hail**, and **James "J.R." England** are now partners in Hunton & Williams, 1445 Ross Ave., Ste. 3700, Dallas 75202.

George "Hal" Parker has been promoted to member in Dewhirst & Dolven, 5430 LBJ Fwy., Ste. 1200, Dallas 75240.

Kimberly Mabel, **Elliot Strader**, and **Luke Wohlford** have been promoted to partners in Gardere Wynne Sewell, 2021 McKinney Ave., Ste. 1600, Dallas 75201.

Brad Monk, **Christine Wakeman**, and **Valerie Seve** are now associates of Winstead, 2728 N. Harwood St., Dallas 75201. **Michelle Rieger**, also with the firm, was elected to its board of directors and **Sarah Walters** is now of counsel.

Bill Mateja, of Polsinelli in Dallas, received the 2016 Distinguished Alumni Award from Texas Tech University School of Law.

Carla Burke Pickrel and **Scott Summy**, both of Baron & Budd in Dallas, received a 2017 Burton Award for law firm legal writing.

Elise Schuller Barajas, of Gray Reed & McGraw in Dallas, is now certified in health law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Isaac J. Brown, previously with Alston & Bird, and **Allison A. Reddoch**, previously with Strasburger & Price, are now associates of Andrews Kurth Kenyon, 1717 Main St., Ste. 3700, Dallas 75201.

Kenda L. Culpepper, the Rockwall County criminal district attorney; **Chris Nickelson**, of the Law Office of Gary L. Nickelson in Fort Worth; and **Quentin Brogdon**, of Crain Lewis Brogdon in Dallas, received a Standing Ovation Award from TexasBarCLE. Brogdon was also inducted into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

Mary M. Crossett, previously with the city of Dallas, is now an associate of Albin Roach, 5665 Dallas Pkwy., Ste. 200, Frisco 75034. **John J. Monogogna**, previously with Coats Rose, is now a partner in the firm.

SOUTH

William L. Sims has opened a solo practice in his name, 1362 Merlot, New Braunfels 78132.

Tamara Cochran-May has been elected San Patricio County attorney.

Geary Reamey, of St. Mary's University School of Law in San Antonio, received the Outstanding Law Review Article Award from the Texas Bar Foundation.

David V. Jones, previously with Jones, Andrews & Ortiz, is now a partner in Akerman, 112 E. Pecan St., Ste. 2750, San Antonio 78205.

Jonathan Yedor is now of counsel to the McClenahan Law Firm, 14603 Huebner Rd., Bldg. 32, San Antonio 78230.

Former Texas Supreme Court Justice David Medina, **David Calvillo**, and **John Muller** are now senior counsel on Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry's newly formed litigation team in San Antonio, 112 E. Pecan St., Ste. 1450, 78205.

R. Christopher Clark is now a member in Barton, East & Caldwell, 700 N. St. Mary's St., Ste. 1825, San Antonio 78205.

Michael L. Butler is now an associate of Gately & Morris, 8023 Vantage Dr., Ste. 680, San Antonio 78230.

Chad A. Olsen is now a partner in the newly renamed Bray, Chappell, Patterson & Olsen, 315 N. Frost Center, 1250 N.E. Loop 410, San Antonio 78209.

OUT OF STATE

Tiffany C. Alvoid, previously with Counsel on Call, is now a complaint resolution officer for the University of California Berkeley's Office for the Prevention of Harassment and Discrimination, 2111 Bancroft Way, Ste. 300, Berkeley, California 94720.

Mitchel L. Winick is now president and dean of a three-campus accredited law school system in California with the summer 2017 opening of Kern County College of Law in Bakersfield, California, which join San Luis Obispo College of Law and Monterey College of Law. **TBJ**