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JAMES D. "JIM" PARISH



Parish, 84, of Katy, died December 23, 2019. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1953 to 1957. Parish received his law degree from the University of Houston Law Center and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1971. He was admitted to practice before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit in 1973 and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas in 1973. Parish took depositions as far away as Taipei, Taiwan, and tried a child custody case in the Central African Republic in 1975. He was a member of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, the State Bar of Texas Family Law Section, the State Bar of Texas Business Law Section, and the Houston Bar Association. Parish organized billfishing tournaments for over 20 years as the Hocker Parish Carroll Billfishing Tournament. He enjoyed scuba diving and traveling in the U.S. and abroad. Parish is survived by his wife of 38 years, Barbara Parish; sons, James D. "Jimmy" Parish Jr. and Gene Lambert; brother, Larry Parish; and sister, Claudie Palmer.

ROBERT OWEN "BUCK" HARRIS III



Harris, 76, of Killeen, died September 26, 2019. He served in the U.S. Army from January 1968 to May 1973. Harris received his law degree from Baylor Law School and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1976. He was a partner in Harris, Holbrook & Peebles in Killeen from 1975 to 1979 and in private practice at the Law Office of Robert O. Harris in Killeen from 1979 to 2011 and at the Law Office of Robert O. Harris in Belton from 2012 to 2019. Harris was president of the Bell County Bar Association. He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Suzanne Harris; son, Baine Brock; daughters, Lee Harris, Courtney Harris, and Amity Coose; and four grandchildren.

GREG COPELAND



Copeland, 71, of Houston, died October 27, 2019. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1973. Copeland was a trial lawyer at Baker & Botts in Houston from 1972 to 2013. He was the head of the Baker & Botts Energy Litigation Practice Group and a member of the Executive Committee. Copeland enjoyed hiking, snow skiing, and swimming. He is survived by his wife, Rebecca Copeland; son, Todd Copeland; daughter, Rebecca Copeland Bajgier; and two grandchildren.

LINDLEY GARRISON BECKWORTH JR.



Beckworth, 76, of Longview, died July 7, 2019. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1968. Beckworth was an assistant district attorney in the Gregg County District Attorney's Office, a partner in Whitehead and Beckworth in Longview, and later in private practice in Longview. He served as vice president of the Gregg County Bar Association, on the Texas Bar Journal Board of Editors for 13 years, and as district director of the UT Austin Law Alumni Association. Beckworth served on the Longview Chamber of Commerce and was vice president of the Longview Economic Development Corporation, chairman of the Longview Long Range Water Planning Commission, member of the Special Health Resources for Texas board and the Amtrak Visiting Committee board. He had special interests in science, technology, economic development, and the music industry where he made various important contributions over his lifetime. In 2015, the Martha and Gary Beckworth Endowment for Excellence Scholarship in Law was established at the University of Texas School of Law. Beckworth is survived by his wife of 53 years, Martha Brindley Beckworth; daughters,

Melissa Beckworth Rabalais and Allison Beckworth Readinger; mother, Eloise Carter Davidson; brother, John Barney Beckworth; sister, Linda Louise Beckworth; and four grandchildren.

TIMOTEO F. "TIM" GONZÁLEZ



González, 68, of Dallas, died October 25, 2019. He received his law degree from Southern Methodist University School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1977. González was a corporate attorney for Southwestern Bell/AT&T in Dallas and Austin in the 1970s and 1980s, a corporate attorney for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in Dallas during the 1990s, an attorney with Gonzalez Law Office in Dallas during the 1990s, and a municipal judge in Dallas during the 2000s. He was a member of the Dallas Bar Association, Texas Municipal Courts Association, and founder and president of the Mexican American Bar Association of Texas. González was a certified mediator in family, civil, and child-protective services cases. He was a member of Leadership Dallas. González enjoyed golfing and traveling. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Zaida F. González; sons, Timoteo Jose González and Shane González; brothers, Omar González and Enrico González; sisters, Priscilla Garland and Lisa Livingston; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

SEAN CODY

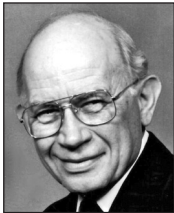


Cody, 52, of Houston, died November 22, 2019. He served in the U.S. Army. Cody received his law degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1998. He practiced at the Law Firm of Sean Cody. Cody was a gun enthusiast and promoted Second Amendment rights. He loved his family, guns, watches, and cigars—in that order. Cody is survived by his wife, Jennifer Cody, and sons, Nathan Cody and Jonathan Cody.

RICK HAAN

Haan, 41, of Dallas, died September 14, 2019. He received his law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in

2006. Haan was an associate of Thompson & Knight in Dallas from 2006 to 2015 and a partner in the firm from 2015 to 2019. He was the top scorer on the July 2006 Texas Bar Exam. Haan was devoted to his children and dedicated and loyal to his clients and family. He was an avid fan of the Michigan State University Spartans. Haan is survived by his wife of 15 years, Adrienne Haan; son, Luke Haan; daughters, Emily Haan and Julia Haan; father, Richard Haan; mother, Mary Haan; brothers, Eric Haan and Lonnie Haan; and sisters, Lisa Davis, Renee Tilley, Rachel Neff, and Mariah Haan.

J. LEON LEBOWITZ

Lebowitz, 98, of Austin, died January 11, 2020. He received his law degree from Baylor Law School, his LL.M. from New York University School of Law, and

was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1943. Lebowitz served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1945. He was a professor at Baylor Law School in Waco from 1946 to 1955 and at the University of Texas School of Law in Austin from 1956 to 2000, retiring as the Joseph C. Hutcheson Professor Emeritus in Law. Lebowitz was a founding and active member of what is now the State Bar of Texas Business Law Section. He was known for his scholarship, kindness, and commitment to social justice. Lebowitz was a leader in the Austin Jewish community and was involved in numerous civic organizations. He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Elaine Lebowitz; son, attorney Brian E. Lebowitz; daughter, attorney Amy Lebowitz Greenspan; sisters, Bernice Beckerman and Shirley Warshaw; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

ROBERT J. HEARON JR.

Hearon, 89, of Austin, died December 26, 2019. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the

Texas Bar in 1954. Hearon served in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1955 to 1957. He was an attorney with Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody in Austin from 1954 to 2011. Hearon received the Austin Bar Association Distinguished Lawyer Award in 2009. He is remembered for his witty sense of humor and dedication to excellence. Hearon was a natural leader. He is survived by his wife, Genevieve Tarlton Hearon; sons, Reed Hearon, and Paul Reddam; daughters, Tarlton Gaun and Anne Rambo; and five grandchildren.

BOBBY D. BURNETT JR.

Burnett, 74, of Munday, died November 14, 2019. He received his law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in

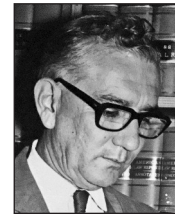
1971. Burnett served in the U.S. Army Reserve with the Transportation Corps from 1971 to 1975 and was honorably discharged as a captain. He was in private practice in Knox City from 1971 to 1973 and in Munday from 1973 to 2014; was elected county attorney of Knox County from 1972 to 1989 and again from 1992 to 2010; and was appointed district attorney for the 50th Judicial District in October 1989, was elected in 1990, and declined to seek reelection. Burnett served as county attorney pro tem for King County from 1989 to 2000 and as district judge for the 50th Judicial District from 2015 to 2019. He was a director of First National Bank in Munday and the president and sole stockholder of Knox County Abstract Company in Benjamin. Burnett was an avid reader of history, especially of Texas and the Civil War. He was a fifth-generation landowner and rancher with a focus on

wildlife conservation. Burnett enjoyed golfing. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Judy Burnett; daughters, Christine Jost and Laura Burnett; sister, Belle Grill; and a granddaughter.

R. SCOTT SUMMERFIELD

Summerfield, 75, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, died November 20, 2019. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law and

was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1971. Summerfield served in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1968 to 1996 and achieved the rank of colonel. He was admitted to practice in Illinois in 1969. Summerfield was an administrative law judge at the New Mexico State Personnel Office in Santa Fe from 2000 to 2013. He was a member of the Boy Scouts of America and the Sons of the American Revolution. Summerfield is survived by his wife of 51 years, Jane Summerfield, and daughter, Shelley Summerfield.

OSCAR CAVAZOS

Cavazos, 98, of Raymondville, died January 14, 2020. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1941 to 1945. Cavazos received his law degree from

the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1951. He was in private practice from 1951 to 2016 and served as Raymondville city attorney from 1976 to 1986. Cavazos served on a State Bar of Texas Grievance Committee from 1978 to 1981. He received the State Bar of Texas Hispanic Issues Section Reynaldo G. Garza Lifetime Achievement Award in 1998. Cavazos enjoyed Texas Longhorns football and weekends at South Padre Island. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Estela Cavazos; son, Michael Cavazos; daughters, Terri Cavazos, Gloria Hooley, and Cathy Cavazos Verduzco; sister, Minerva Jones; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. **TBJ**