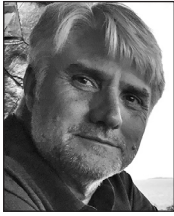


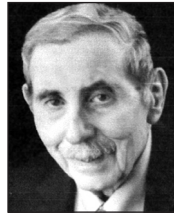
**G. ALAN WALDROP**

Waldrop, 59, of Austin, died May 5, 2021. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1987. Waldrop was a briefing attorney for the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas in Waco from 1987 to 1988, an attorney and partner in Locke Liddell & Sapp in Austin from 1988 to 2005, justice on the 3rd Court of Appeals in Austin from 2005 to 2010, a partner in Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell in Austin from 2010 to 2015, and a partner in Terrill & Waldrop in Austin from 2015 to 2021. He was a lecturer and adjunct professor of trial advocacy at the University of Texas School of Law from 1993 to 2000. Waldrop was a Texas Bar Foundation sustaining life fellow. He was a member and music director of the Bar & Grill Singers for 25 years. Waldrop enjoyed sailing, music, and woodworking. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Debra Waldrop; sons, Duncan Waldrop and Pierce Waldrop; and brothers, Gordon Waldrop II and Stan Waldrop.

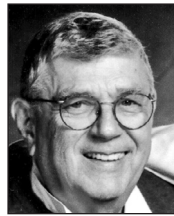
**CHARLES N. CURRY**

Curry, 79, of Fort Worth, died January 21, 2021. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1966. Curry was an attorney with Shannon, Gracey, Ratliff & Miller in Fort Worth, where he became partner and practiced for 50 years, and was of counsel to Bonds Ellis Eppich Schafer Jones. He was chair and vice chair of the State Bar of Texas Real Estate, Probate, and Trust Law Section's Fiduciary Litigation Committee. Curry was a member of the State Bar of Texas Real Estate Forms Committee, the State Bar of Texas Business Law Section, and a Texas Bar Foundation life fellow. Curry was a founding member of the

Texas Association of Bank Counsel, serving two terms as director, and was a member of the Texas College of Real Estate Lawyers. He loved his career and there was never a person prouder of being an attorney than him. Curry is survived by his wife of 48 years, Mary; daughters, Claire Curry McInnis and Anne Curry Phillippe; and five grandchildren.

**ROY STEWART DALE**

Dale, 87, of McAllen, died February 18, 2020. He received his law degree from Indiana University School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1978. Dale was admitted to practice in Indiana in 1961. He practiced in Brownsville from 1978 to 1992, including service with Cameron County, and was a partner in Dale & Klein in McAllen from 1992 until 2020. Dale served on the South Texas ISD School Board from 1982 to 1986 and was voluntary counsel to the State Bar of Texas. He loved litigation and tried 32 jury trials one year. Dale had a passion for history and was quick witted, brilliant, scholarly, and charitable. He was a proud member of Temple Emanuel in McAllen and fulfilled his lifelong dream of visiting Israel three months before his death. Dale is survived by his wife of nearly 30 years, Katie Klein; sons, Jonathan Dale, Harrison Dale, and Joshua Dale; stepson, Pearson Klein; and stepdaughter, Cassidy Klein.

**ROBERT L. ESTEP**

Estep, 80, of Rural Retreat, Virginia, died March 28, 2020. He served in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1970. Estep received his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1984. He was admitted to practice in Illinois in 1973. Estep was an associate of and partner in Isham Lincoln &

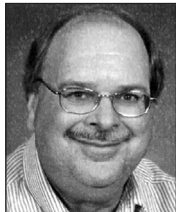
Beale in Chicago, Illinois, from 1973 to 1983; a partner in Jones Day in Dallas from 1983 to 2006; and of counsel to Jones Day in Dallas from 2007 to 2009. He was smart, hardworking, and had an insight into people and situations. Estep is survived by his wife of 49 years, Elizabeth W. Estep; daughter, Laura Lisenso; sister, Carol Thomas; and four grandchildren.

**LAUREN J. BENSI**

Bensi, 63, of Spring, died October 19, 2020. She received her law degree from Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1996. She was a solo practitioner focusing on family law, wills, probate, and trust administration in Spring from 1996 to 2020. Bensi loved to cook and was always planning the next party or informal get-together of friends and neighbors at her house. She also cherished her down time at home with her best friend and long-time housemate, Chris Bozman, as well as their dogs through the years. Bensi was a strong believer in God and her Jewish faith. She is survived by her brother, Andrew Bensi.

**MELTON DAVID CUDE**

Cude, 65, of Decatur, died November 29, 2020. He received his law degree from Baylor Law School and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1980. Cude served in the U.S. Army National Guard Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1988 to 1996. He was an attorney at Woodruff, Fostel, Wren & Simpson in Decatur from 1980 to 1986 and judge of Wise County Court at Law 1 in Decatur from 1987 to 2020. Cude was known for his loyalty. He loved reading, especially history, and camping with friends. Cude is survived by his wife of 38 years, Arlena Cude; son, David Cude; daughter, Amy Casares; brother, Murray Cude; and four grandchildren.

**STEPHEN E. MUSIL**

Musil, 71, of Haskell, died May 1, 2021. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1974.

Musil was in private practice specializing in family law, an assistant district attorney in the Travis County Attorney's Office, and an attorney in the Travis County Domestic Relations Office. He enjoyed listening to music, working on old cars, and raising chickens. Musil is survived by his wife of four years, Nicolasa Musil; sons, Jeff Musil, John M. Musil, and Ben Musil; daughters, Katie Hanley and Jennifer Rowsey; mother, Mary Musil; brothers, David Musil and Tim Musil; sisters, Pat Smith and Paula Gilbert; and 11 grandchildren.

**LOU PORTER BAILEY**

Bailey, 66, of Austin, died February 11, 2021. She received her law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to

the Texas Bar in 1979. Bailey was a partner in Dyche & Wright in Houston. She enjoyed quilting, reading British murder mysteries, watching *Jeopardy!*, working with local nonprofits, and solving the *New York Times* Sunday crossword puzzle. Bailey is survived by her husband of 39 years, Scott Bailey; daughter, Katherine Brown; and one grandchild.

**DANIEL DIAZ JR.**

Diaz, 73, of San Antonio, died May 31, 2021. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to

the Texas Bar in 1973. Diaz was an associate of Wiley, Plunkett, Gibson & Allen in San Antonio from 1973 to 1979, a partner in Plunkett, Gibson & Allen in San Antonio from 1979 to 1989 and a shareholder in the firm from 1989 to 1996, of counsel to Plunkett &

Gibson in San Antonio from 1996 to 2000, and staff legal counsel to Zurich North America in San Antonio from 2000 to 2001. He was a member of the Order of Barristers. Diaz was an avid fisherman, fishing every chance he got anywhere he could. He was utterly devoted to caring for and encouraging the aspirations of his wife and children. In retirement, Diaz took pride assisting his wife in legal work helping and representing children. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, attorney Dorothy Flagg Diaz; son, David Daniel Diaz; daughter, Teresa Diaz Alecozay; and one granddaughter.

**MINOR L. HELM JR.**

Helm, 83, of Waco, died May 18, 2021. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the

Texas Bar in 1961. Helm was a partner in Sleeper, Johnston & Helm from 1961 to 1995 and an associate of Pakis, Gotes, Beard & Page from 1995 to 2013. He was a member of the American Bar Association and Waco-McLennan County Bar Association. Helm enjoyed collecting coins and stamps. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Vivian Helm; son, attorney Charles M. Helm; daughter, attorney Sandra Helm Waelder; sister, Kay Preddy; and five grandchildren.

**ROBERT JAY REINING**

Reining, 74, of Corpus Christi, died November 23, 2020. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1969 to

1994. Reining received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1970. He was admitted to the Hawaii Bar in 1973 and the District of Columbia Bar in 1990. Reining was a JAG officer in Houston; Washington, D.C.; Honolulu, Hawaii; Portland, Oregon; Norfolk, Virginia; New York, New York; and Corpus Christi from 1969 to 1994; and was an attorney for

the city of Corpus Christi from 1994 to 2014. He enjoyed traveling and hunting. Reining is survived by his wife of 51 years, Drew Matlock Reining; daughter, Elizabeth Reining Buehler; sister, Marilyn McCabe; and one grandchild.

**DULCIE D. BRAND**

Brand, 65, of Sugar Land, died March 7, 2021. She received her law degree from George Washington University Law School and was admitted to

the Texas Bar in 1986. Brand was admitted to the District of Columbia Bar in 1981 and the California Bar in 1995. She was a partner in Jones Day in Dallas and Los Angeles, California, from 1984 to 2005 and a partner in Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman in Los Angeles from 2005 to 2016. Brand was a member of the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys. She enjoyed traveling, cooking, and spending time with friends and family.

**RICHARD NORMAN NELSON**

Nelson, 79, of Keller, died September 27, 2020. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1962 to 1998, receiving two Meritorious Service

Medals, Navy & Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and Recruiting Gold Wreath. Nelson received his law degree from George Washington University Law School and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1996. He was admitted to the Michigan Bar in 1980 and was admitted to practice in Maryland in 1994. Nelson was general counsel to EFW, Inc. in Fort Worth from 1996 to 2006. He was a member of U.S. Submarine Veterans Fort Worth and Dallas bases, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and was a violinist and member of the Northeast Orchestra. Nelson is survived by his wife of 57 years, Bonnie Nelson; daughters, Kimberly Nelson and Amy Mylius; brother, Allan Nelson; and five grandchildren. **TBJ**