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LICENSES: State Bar of Texas
U.S. District Court - Northern District of Texas
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EXPERIENCE: **JOHNSTON LEGAL GROUP PC**
2007 to present
Prior to joining Johnston Legal Group, Marilyn founded the Law Office of Marilyn Shell in Fort Worth. Ms. Shell has practiced law for over 30 years and focuses on estate planning, probate, guardianship, trusts and family law matters. She is Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Estate Planning and Probate and also in Family Law. She is also a Certified Public Accountant.

SOLE PRACTITIONER

1999-2007

Marilyn Shell was the sole practitioner of a general civil practice with emphasis on estate planning and probate, guardianship, trusts, and family law matters.

BAKUTIS, McCULLY & SAWYER, P.C., (current firm name)

1990-1999

Represented individuals and small businesses in general civil matters with emphasis on estate planning and probate, trusts, family law and tax.

COAN & SHELL, P.C. (former name)

1982-1990

Engaged in the general civil practice of law, including wills, probate, guardianship, real estate (commercial, farm and ranch, residential), oil and gas, family law, contracts, formation of business entities, collections and creditor bankruptcy, personal injury, employment law, school law, and commercial law.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, Seattle, Washington; San Francisco, California

1975-1982

Various legal positions, including director of hearings and appeals primarily deciding applications for exceptions to price and allocation regulations; and acting regional counsel providing legal advice to the regional administrator and supervising attorneys and staff in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

PEAT, MARWICK, MITCHELL & CO.,

1974-1975

Prepared federal and state tax returns for individuals, subchapters C and S corporations, partnerships, trusts and non-profit organizations; performed legal research in tax including international tax issues; and drafted estate plans.

HONORS:

Recognized as a Top Attorney by *Fort Worth, Texas Magazine* in the areas of Family Law and Trusts, Estates and Probate Law

AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

College of the State Bar of Texas

State Bar of Texas pattern Jury Charges – Family Committee, Probate, Trust and Guardianship Subcommittee, 2009-2012

Tarrant County Bar Association

Tarrant County Probate Bar Association

Tarrant County Family Law Association

Tarrant County Bar Tax and Estate Section

Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists

CERTIFICATIONS:

BOARD CERTIFIED ESTATE PLANNING AND PROBATE LAW
Texas Board of Legal Specialization

BOARD CERTIFIED FAMILY LAW
Texas Board of Legal Specialization

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
Texas Board of Public Accountancy

EDUCATION:

Texas Tech University School of Law, J.D., 1973

The University of Texas, B.B.A, 1970