

Michelle McPherson

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Michelle McPherson joined MehaffyWeber in 2006 after her graduation from South Texas College of Law. Michelle has practiced in a wide range of civil litigation. Her practice areas include personal injury, insurance defense and toxic tort defense along with a concentration in family law and employment-related litigation.

EDUCATION:

South Texas University School of Law (J.D., 2006)

Dean's List

Recipient, South Texas School of Law Merit
Scholarship, 2002-2005

Recipient, Jefferson County Bar Association Auxiliary
Scholarship, 2002

Recipient, American Woman Association-(Houston)
Scholarships, 2004/2005 & 2005/2006

Recipient, South Texas College Law Alumni
Scholarship, 2006

Recipient, Frank Evans Center for Conflict Resolution-
Mediation Certificate

Recipient, Phi Delta Phi Highest Grade Legal Research
and Writing, Fall 2002

Lamar University (Bachelor of Applied Arts and
Sciences, Political Science and Criminal Justice, 2002)

President's List (2001-2002)

INTERNSHIP/LEGAL CLINIC:

South Texas University School of Law

Honors Criminal Process Legal Internship-Jefferson
County District Attorney's Office, 2005

Legal Clinic, Academic Internship, 2005
(Divorce and guardianship cases)

Transactional Skills Clinic, 2005

EMPLOYMENT:

MEHAFFYWEBER

Associate, 2006 to present

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS:

State Bar of Texas

United States Court for the Eastern and Southern Districts of
Texas

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

State Bar of Texas
Construction Law Section, Member
Family Law Section, Member
Litigation Law Section, Member
Labor and Employment Law Section, Member
Corporate Counsel Section, Member
Texas Association of Defense Counsel
Defense Research Institute (DRI)
Jefferson County Bar Association
Family Law Section, Member
Veteran's Legal Advice Clinic, 2011-2012
Law Day
National Adoption Day, 2012, 2013
Jefferson County Pro Bono Program
Spindletop Spin- Volunteer
Orange County Bar Association
"Do the Write Thing," 2014
Adjunct Professor, Lamar State College-Port Arthur-
Business Computer Information Systems, 2006 –
present, where she has taught Intro to Paralegalism,
Business Law, Civil Litigation, Torts, Interviewing &
Investigation and Advanced Legal Document
Preparation

CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

Salvation Army and St. Paul United Methodist Church,
Bridge City- Hurricane Katrina Fundraiser, 2005
Beaumont Community Partners
P.A.W.S. of Bridge City
Grace Lutheran Church
Board of Disciple Development (Sunday school,
Education, Youth), 2014-2016
Judge, Kelly High School- TAPPS Lincoln-Douglas Debates
"Gift of Life-Julie Richardson Procter Run/Walk," 2012-
2013
Habitat for Humanity, "National Women Build Week," 2014
Lamar State College-Port Arthur, Mock Interviews, 2014
"Back to School Orange," 2014

RESULTS/REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE:

- Successful representation of a personal injury case for non-subscriber business owner
- Successful representation of a business owner regarding a lawsuit for a suit on a sworn account
- Successful removal to Federal Court and successful representation for lawsuit against business owner involving employee overtime issues

- Successful representation of military personnel involving both property and dependants in a family law matter
- Representation of numerous clients in diverse family law matters
- Detailed preparation of Writ of Mandamus to the Ninth Court of Appeals in a family law case

ARTICLES AND PAPERS WRITTEN:

- “Analysis of July 11, 2014 Texas Supreme Court Case of *Bostic v. Georgia-Pacific*,” by Michele Smith, Paul Heyburn and Michelle McPherson; IADC Newsletter, Toxic and Hazardous Substances Litigation Committee, August 2014
- “Be the “Maverick” in Jury Selection,” by Michele Smith, “Trey” B. G. Sandoval, III, and Michelle McPherson; Texas Association of Defense Counsel, 2014 Winter Seminar, Crested Butte, Colorado, February 5-9, 2014