# W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law

- Director, Supervising Attorney, and Associate Clinical Professor
  - Direct legal clinic, representing as Guardian/Attorney *ad Litem*, abused and neglected children who have been removed from their homes by Child Protective Services.
  - Supervise student attorneys who are enrolled in the Clinic for course credit.
  - Conduct lectures/role plays for students in the Clinic in the area of Child Welfare Law and trial advocacy skills.
  - Coordinate interdisciplinary lectures in the child welfare area.
  - Design and coordinate community outreach programs to improve representation and service to children in the child welfare system.

# W.W. Caruth, Jr. Institute for Children's Rights, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law

- Director
  - Direct Institute that pursues innovative and bold theories and projects that address the fundamental and overarching challenges of child abuse and neglect.
  - Design and plan Institute activities, including pursuing research and collaborative projects within the child welfare community.

### **PRIOR EXPERIENCE**

## Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, L.L.P. 1987- present

8/15/13 - present

• Of Counsel in the Firm's Business Litigation Practice Group

#### 1/1/1993 - 8/15/13

- Partner in the Firm's Business Litigation Practice Group
  - Defended and pursued litigation matters from inception through trial as lead attorney.
  - Full responsibility for case strategy, client satisfaction, setting and complying with litigation budgets, and billing.
  - Supervised teams of attorneys working on matters.
  - Responsible for supervising and training associate attorneys and less experienced partners.
  - Supervised all associate attorneys handling family law pro bono matters.
- Firm management positions
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### **EDUCATION**

Cornell Law School Ithaca, NY Juris Doctorate, *cum laude*, 1987

- Member of Cornell Law Review
- Co-Chair, Public Interest Law Association
- Research Assistant for Faust F. Rossi, Samuel S. Leibowitz Professor Of Trial

Techniques

• Recipient, John J. Kelly Memorial Pri

- Author, Expert Advice: Practical Tips for the First Meeting with your Expert, Section of Litigation Annual Conference, 2008
- Presenter, What Attorneys Want (and Sometimes Even Need) From their Experts, Forensic Expert Witness Association, 2008
- Presenter, Bridging the Gender Gap in the Courtroom, Connecticut Defense Lawyers Association, 2007
- Author, Bridging the Gender Gap, The Litigation Manual, First Supplement, 2007
- Author, Enron: Navigating the Civil Side of the Corporate Case of the Century, American Bar Association Section of Litigation Annual Conference, 2007
- Presenter, Creating a Visual Strategy with your Expert: Using Demonstratives with Expert Witnesses, American Bar Association Annual Meeting, 2007
- Presenter, Discovery Problems and their Solutions, American Bar Association Annual Meeting, 2005
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