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Practice: State and Federal Criminal Defense (Trials and Appeals); Civil Litigation; Personal Injury (Plaintiff)

Greg has tried approximately 100 cases in state and federal court involving accusations ranging from capital murder/death penalty to material support of terrorism. Greg has also handled at least 75 appeals at all levels of the state and federal appellate court systems, which have resulted in close to 30 published opinions. Greg's reputation has earned him recognition by his peers as a "Texas Monthly Super Lawyer" every year since the list was created and an AV Rating in Martindale Hubbell and a listing in the Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers.

Greg is also a prolific author, commentator and speaker who has taught thousands of lawyers in trial and legal skills and has done extensive work and teaching in the areas of trial skills and juror communication at both the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association's Texas Criminal Trial College and Gerry Spence's Trial Lawyers College in Dubois, Wyoming.

Board Certified:

Criminal Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization (2000)

Bar Admissions:

State Bar of Texas (1993)

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas (1994)
U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit (1995)
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas (1999)
U.S. Supreme Court (1999)
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas (2000)
U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas (2000)

Education:

University of Texas at Arlington - B.B.A., *with highest honors*, 1990
Texas Tech University - J.D., *summa cum laude*, 1993

Military Service:

United States Army, Sergeant (1984-1987)
United States Of America Meritorious Service Medal (1986)
United States Army Commendation Medal (1986)
United States Army Achievement Medal (1985)
United States Army Forces Command Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year (1986)

Recognition:

AV[®] Rated, Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review
Martindale-Hubbell Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers
Texas Monthly / Law & Politics “Super Lawyer” (2003-2014)
Tarrant County Business Journal “Attorney of Excellence” (2003-2005)
Fort Worth Magazine “Top Attorney” (2001-2014)
Tarrant County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association “Roland Hill Award” (2012)

Editorial Positions:

Editor-in-Chief, Texas Tech Law Review (1992-93)
Editor, Voice for the Defense, Voice for the Defense Online (2009-2013)
Assistant Feature Articles Editor, Voice for the Defense (1995-1998)
Feature Articles Editor, Voice for the Defense (1998-2004)

Invited Speaker/Faculty Member/Author:

“Jeopardy: Snatching Victory From the Jaws of Defeat,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project Skills Course, 1994-95

“Psychiatric Testimony in Child Sexual Abuse Cases,” Criminal Defense Lawyer's Project Skills course, 1996

“Effective ALR Appeal,” DWI and ALR , Taking the Battle to Them Seminar, Courtroom Publications, 1997

“Expert Testimony,” Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Project, 1997

“Texas Rules of Evidence Significant Decisions,” Fifth Annual Prosecutors' Skills Seminar, 1998

“Jury Instructions,” Lone Star Seminars Aruba Seminar, 1999

“Effective Use of Experts,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project South Padre Island Seminar, 1999

“Texas Rules of Evidence,” Lubbock Criminal Defense Lawyers Association “Nuts and Bolts” Seminar, 1999

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2000

“Evidence,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project “Ultimate Trial Notebook” Seminar, 2000-01

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2001

“Post-Conviction DNA Testing,” 14th Annual M.P. “Rusty” Duncan Advanced Criminal Law Short Course, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, 2001

“Developing the Theory Through Expert Testimony,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project “Theory of the Case” Seminar, 2001-02

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2002

“Hearsay,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2003

Capital Trial Advocacy Course, Center for American & International Law, 2003

“Experts,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project “Evidence for the 21st Century” Seminar, 2003

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2004

“Experts,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project “Day in the Life of a Texas Criminal Defense Lawyer” Seminar, 2003-04

Capital Trial Advocacy Course, Center for American & International Law, 2004

“Technology in the Courtroom,” 17th Annual M.P. “Rusty” Duncan Advanced Criminal Law Short Course, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, 2004

“Developing the Story,” Criminal Defense Lawyers Project
“Communicating with Juries” Seminar, 2004

“Anatomy of the Win,” Criminal Defense Lawyer Project, 2004-2005

“The Effective Use and Confrontation of Experts in Criminal Trials,”
Criminal Defense Lawyer Project (Course Director), 2004

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2005

“Recent Decisions of the Court of Criminal Appeals,” State Bar of Texas
Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2005

Capital Trial Voir Dire and Communicating With Jurors for the Defense,
Center for American & International Law, 2005

Capital Trial Advocacy Course, Center for American & International Law,
2005

Cross Examination and Impeachment, Center for American & International

Law, 2005

“Forensics,” Criminal Defense Lawyer Project (Course Director), 2005

Trial Lawyers College, Colorado Regional, 2005

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2006

Trial Lawyers College, 2006

“Recent Decisions of the Court of Criminal Appeals,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2006

“Voir Dire in a Drug Case,” Criminal Defense Lawyer Project Voir Dire Course, 2006

“Technology in the Courtroom,” 19th Annual M.P. “Rusty” Duncan Advanced Criminal Law Short Course, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, 2006

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2007

“Court of Criminal Appeals Update,” 27th Annual Prairie Dog Seminar, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, 2007

“Technology in the Courtroom,” 20th Annual M.P. “Rusty” Duncan Advanced Criminal Law Short Course, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, 2007

Trial Lawyers College, California Regional, 2007

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2008

“CSI Texas,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course (Moderator), 2008

“Court of Criminal Appeals Update: Significant Decisions from Sept. 2007 to June 2008,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2008

Trial Lawyers College, Death Penalty Seminar, 2009

“Experts,” 29th Annual Prairie Dog Seminar, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, 2009

“Negotiations and Plea Bargaining in Death Penalty Cases,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2009.

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2010

Trial Lawyers College, Death Penalty Seminar, 2010

“Hot Issues in Pending PDRs in the Court of Criminal Appeals,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2010

Trial Lawyers College, September Session, 2010

“Psychodrama for Lawyers,” Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Project, 2011

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2011

“Ethics,” Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Project, 4th Annual Jolly Roger Hal Jackson Memorial Criminal Law Seminar, 2011

Trial Lawyers College, Texas Regional, 2012

Trial Lawyers College, September Session, 2012

“Use of Experts in Defense of Child Abuse Allegations,” State Bar of Texas Advanced Criminal Law Course, 2012

“Psychodrama for Lawyers,” Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Project, 2013

“Experts,” State Bar of Texas, “Sex, Drugs & Surveillance,” 2013

Trial Lawyers College, Texas Regional, 2013

Trial Lawyers College, September Session, 2013

Trial Lawyers College, Texas Regional, 2014

Texas Criminal Trial College, 2014

Trial Lawyers College, Death Penalty Seminar, 2014

Trial Lawyers College, Graduate Course I, 2014

Published Articles:

“But I Know It When I See It: A Practical Framework for Analysis and Argument of Informal Fiduciary Relationships,” 23 Texas Tech Law Review 835, 1992

“Administrative License Revocation and Double Jeopardy: The Battle Begins at the Appellate Level,” 24 Voice For The Defense 7, Sept. 1995 at 34

“The Nature of This Debate: A Look at the Texas Foreign Corporation Venue Rule and a Method For Analyzing the Premises and Promises of Tort Reform,” 25 Texas Tech Law Review 903, 1995

“Double Jeopardy and ALR: On to the Court of Criminal Appeals,” 25 Voice For The Defense 2, Mar. 1996 at 28

“Psychiatric Testimony in Child Sexual Abuse Cases in Texas,” 25 Voice For The Defense 5, June 1996 at 12

“Is the Court of Criminal Appeals Prepared to Limit the DeGarmo Doctrine?” 25 Voice For The Defense 10, Dec. 1996 at 28

“Experts for the Indigent,” 26 Voice For The Defense 6, July-Aug. 1997

“The Guerilla's Guide to Evidence,” 29 Voice For The Defense 5, May 2000

“Throwing Away the Book,” The Warrior, Spring, 2003

“Communicating Through Shared Experience (Part I of an Occasional Series of Deep Thoughts About Jury Communication),” 38 Voice For The Defense 6, June 2009 at 11

“One Picture and 1,000 Words (Approximately),” 38 Voice for the Defense 6, July-Aug. 2009 at 12

“Stupid Pet Tricks,” 38 Voice For The Defense 8, Oct. 2009 at 12

“The Big Lie,” 38 Voice For The Defense 10, Dec. 2009 at 12

“How *Wiggins v. Smith* Raised the Bar,” 39 Voice For The Defense 3, April 2010 at 11

“We, the Haters,” 39 Voice For The Defense 4, May 2010 at 11

“A Conversation With Justice Anthony Kennedy,” 39 Voice For The Defense 5, June 2010 at 12

“Darrow’s Dream,” 39 Voice For The Defense 6, July/Aug. 2010 at 12

“Fashionable Racism,” 39 Voice For The Defense 7, Sept. 2010 at 12

“A Little Death Penalty Math,” 40 Voice For The Defense 8, Sept. 2011 at 12

“The Sniff Test,” 40 Voice For The Defense 9, Oct. 2011 at 12

“A Little Death Penalty Math, Part 2,” 41 Voice For The Defense 1, Jan./Feb. 2012 at 11

“Why I Think The Death Penalty Will Die,” 41 Voice For The Defense 3, April 2012 at 11

Legal Commentator:

Court TV
CBS Evening News with Dan Rather
Fox News Channel
KTVT (local CBS affiliate)
National Public Radio
KLIF (talk radio)
WBAP (talk radio)

Fort Worth Star-Telegram
Dallas Morning News
Fort Worth Business Press
National Law Journal
Texas Lawyer

Professional Associations and Memberships:

Tarrant County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association (Past President)
Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association (Board of Directors; Officer)
Eldon B. Mahon Inn of Court (Barrister)
Tarrant County Bar Association
Tarrant County Bar Foundation
Texas Bar Foundation (Fellow)
Bar Association of the Fifth Circuit
College of the State Bar of Texas