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LES WEISBROD

Dubbed the “pit bull” of the Texas medical malpractice bar and recognized nationally and internationally as one of the top plaintiff’s medical malpractice trial lawyers in the United States, Les Weisbrod is a leader in personal injury law with a strong history of results.

Les Weisbrod gets results. His \$31 million verdict against Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas in 2003 was one of the top 100 verdicts in the United States that year. More recently in August 2014, Mr. Weisbrod successfully obtained a summary jury trial verdict in Dallas Country Court At Law No. 1 for \$3.7 million on behalf of an injured 79-year-old client, which included \$2 million in punitive damages. Cumulatively, since May 1986, Mr. Weisbrod has tried or settled over 179 medical malpractice and medical product cases that have each resulted in verdicts or settlements of \$1 million or more for his clients. According to Michael Rustad, a Professor of Law at Suffolk University Law School in Boston, who has done extensive research of punitive damage awards, “Les Weisbrod has obtained more medical malpractice punitive damage jury verdicts for his clients than any other attorney in the United States.”

Mr. Weisbrod has served as President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian of the American Association for Justice (AAJ). AAJ (formerly known as the Association of Trial Lawyers of America) is the world’s largest trial lawyer association. He has also served on the AAJ Board of Governors since 1998 and on the 17-member Executive Committee of AAJ since 2001. Mr. Weisbrod was the founding Co-Chair of AAJ’s Birth Trauma Litigation Group (1991), founding Co-Chair of AAJ’s Medical Negligence Litigation Group (1999), and Chair of AAJ’s Professional Negligence Section (1996). He is a past president of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association (1993) and has been a member of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association Board of Directors since 1990. He is Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Personal Injury Trial Law and Civil Trial Law. He has lectured to lawyers groups across the US, Canada, England and Australia,



and has written extensively on medical malpractice and medical product topics. Les received his bachelor’s degree *magna cum laude* in 1975 from Claremont Men’s College and his law degree in 1978 from Southern Methodist University.

A founding partner of Miller Weisbrod LLP, Les Weisbrod is uniquely qualified to handle the intricacies of cases involving medical malpractice, personal injury or wrongful death. With his tenacity and relentless pursuit of discovery, Mr. Weisbrod continually exceeds client expectations. Simply stated, Les Weisbrod has more experience, more expertise and more of what it takes to win.



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Kevin B. Ross is well known for his ability to handle complex criminal cases in the federal and state criminal justice system. Kevin has experience across the U.S. and abroad, from Europe to Afghanistan, the UAE and Mexico.

He is Board Certified in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is highly respected for his strategic and thorough approach to every case. A skilled negotiator, he is persistent and prepared to advocate for his clients understanding what's at stake. He routinely handles complex federal cases such as white-collar fraud (including bank fraud, wire fraud, money laundering, health care fraud, visa fraud), computer hacking cases, cybercrime, child pornography, and large-scale drug conspiracies.

He has successfully defended state cases involving murder, drug possession and distribution (i.e., methamphetamine, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, crack cocaine), assault, theft, driving while intoxicated (DWI), sexual assault, injury to a child, prostitution, human trafficking, public lewdness, child pornography, criminal mischief, disorderly conduct and public intoxication. He also helps clients clear their criminal record through expunction and/or sealing through a nondisclosure petition.

Kevin holds an AV-Preeminent rating from Martindale-Hubbell for the highest ethical standards and legal ability. Moreover, his colleagues voted him a Texas Super Lawyer, a service of Thomson Reuters, from 2013 -2018, among many other recognitions.

The Law Office of Kevin B. Ross is comprised of dedicated and skilled attorneys who are positioned to handle any criminal matter, large or small, simple or complex.

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TODD KELLY

Born in Nacogdoches, and raised in Arlington, Todd Kelly achieved success, as exemplified by the numerous awards and honors he has accumulated over the years. The 1995 graduate of The Dickinson School of Law has been recognized locally as one of Houston's Top Lawyers in 2005, 2007, 2008 and 2012. He has been selected as a Texas Super Lawyer in 2011-2012 as well as 2014-2018. Kelly was also named a Texas Monthly Top Attorney from 2011 to 2014. Along with his Martindale-Hubbell AV Rating, he was recognized for Excellence in Personal Injury Litigation by Texas Monthly Magazine. Kelly is a member of The American Board of Trial Advocates, as well as The "F- Warriors Region 4 Representative." In 2013, he was inducted into the Texas Lawyer Hall of Fame for attaining a verdict of \$16.9 Million for a girl who was raped at a long-term care facility. Nationally, Kelly is a member of the Million and Multi-Million Dollar Advocate's Forums. Additionally, Kelly is member of the National Trial Lawyers Top 100 Trial Lawyers, the Elite Lawyers of America, and the National Association of Distinguished Counsel.

As a U.S. Marine from 1987 to 1998, Kelly served as a combat engineer prior to attending law school and attaining the rank of Major as a Judge Advocate. Before joining the Carlson Law Firm, he owned The Kelly Law Firm in Houston from 2006-2012. He tried a sexual assault case against a military contractor, gaining national attention when his efforts changed the rules related to military contractors overseas and defeated the mandatory binding arbitration provision in one major military contractor's employment contracts for the first time ever.

Kelly still handles sexual assault and medical malpractice cases, but also a wide range of serious vehicle collisions. He is licensed in four jurisdictions including Texas, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and is Board-Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law.

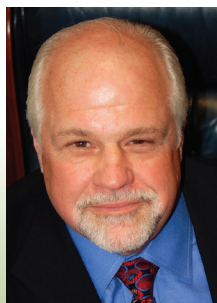


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The Webb Family Law Firm, P.C., is a nationally recognized law firm led by Brian L. Webb, who was recently inducted into the Texas Family Law Section Hall of Legends. The firm serves clients in all areas of Family Law. Brian has been Board Certified in Family Law since 1980 and has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America continuously since 1989. He is also a Founding Diplomat of The American College of Family Trial Lawyers, an organization with membership limited to 100 distinguished Family Lawyers nationwide.

For more than 40 years Brian has represented clients from all walks of life as they faced the stress and uncertainty of divorce and related Family Law matters. He believes that, in addition to their legal rights, clients are entitled to the protection of their dignity and privacy. As a result, the firm favors discreet representation over publicity and self-promotion. Brian is a leader in the Family Law Bar, having been President or Chair of Texas' largest and most influential Family Law organizations, as well as being honored with the Judge Sam Emison Award and the Dan H. Price Award, the two most prestigious awards in Texas Family Law. Brian is a frequent author and speaker on Family Law topics, locally and nationally.


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Over his career, Alton Todd has tried hundreds of cases to verdict. He has been recognized by his peers by being admitted to the American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers and Diplomat of the American Board of Trial Advocates. He is board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in the areas of Personal Injury and Civil Trial law.

While building a solid practice in general civil trial law, personal injury, negligence, products liability and premises liability law, Alton Todd has remained actively involved in numerous other professional organizations that allow him to contribute to his profession while continuing his legal education in order to serve clients to the best of his ability. These affiliations include - American Bar Association; Texas Bar Association; Brazoria County Bar Association; Galveston County Bar Association; Georgia Bar Association; Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit; Federal Bar Association, American Association for Justice. He is a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum; Texas Association of Civil Trial & Appellate Specialists; Texas Bar Foundation; The Association of Trial Lawyers of America; National Board of Trial Advocacy, Fellow and U.S. Supreme Court Historical Society. In addition, he serves on the board of directors of the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.


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Robert Scott represents mid-market and large enterprise companies in software license transactions and disputes with major software publishers such as IBM, Microsoft, Oracle and SAP. He has defended over 250 software audit matters initiated by software piracy trade groups such as the BSA and SIIA. He is counsel to many of the world's largest corporations on information technology matters including software licensing and disputes, risk management, data privacy, and outsourcing.

Robert graduated summa cum laude from Austin College in Sherman, Texas with a B.A. in Economics. He earned his law degree from Hofstra University School of Law in New York. Robert is a member of the State Bar of Texas, the Dallas Bar Association's Computer Law Section, the Data Privacy & Security Committee of the State Bar of Texas, and serves as a member of the MSP Alliance Advisory Board.

Robert has a Martindale Hubbell AV Preeminent peer rating and his firm was recently voted Technology Law Firm of the Year USA by Finance Monthly for the fifth consecutive year.



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Gary S. Kessler is board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and has been listed in the Business Litigation Section of Best Lawyers in America for twenty years. He and his litigation team regularly appear in state and federal courts across the country in a wide variety of business and corporate matters. He has extensive experience handling many types of corporate and securities litigation including regulatory matters.

He is a member of many industry organizations including the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, Defense Research Institute and is a regular instructor for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

Mr. Kessler represents public and private companies in professional liability, employment, insurance defense, real estate, and securities litigation. He is a frequent speaker on topics of risk mitigation and professional liability including claims against accountants, engineers, insurance brokers and broker dealers-investment advisors.


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Markland Hanley has extensive experience defending product manufacturers in high stakes catastrophic injury and wrongful death product liability cases pending throughout Texas and around the United States. The firm places particular emphasis on the defense of autonomous and other advanced products. Markland Hanley has been ranked by U.S. News & World Report and Woodward White, Inc.'s Best Lawyers as a Tier 1 "Best Law Firm" in Dallas for Product Liability Litigation-Defendants each year from 2014 through 2018.



Dale Markland

Dale Markland has tried over 200 cases to verdict and has secured defense verdicts in numerous catastrophic injury and wrongful death cases. He has received professional accolades too numerous to set forth in this

limited space. Details regarding his professional accolades can be found on the firm's website.

Tara Hanley has more than 20 years of experience defending major manufacturers in catastrophic injury and wrongful death cases and has secured numerous final summary judgments and dismissals on behalf of product manufacturers. Tara has been recognized as one of Texas Top-Rated Lawyers for more than 15 consecutive years. Additional information regarding her accomplishments and extensive litigation experience can be found on the firm's web site.



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Galt Graydon has spent over four decades representing corporations, trade associations, governmental entities and individuals before the legislative and executive branches of Texas state government. Before beginning his governmental relations practice he served as senior staff to state senators, Counsel for the Texas Senate General Investigating Committee, and as a senior Assistant City Attorney for the City of Dallas. A graduate of the University of Texas at Austin and the UT School of Law, Graydon is a Life Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, a Director of the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association and Founding Underwriter of the Professional Advocacy Association of Texas. Recognized in Best Lawyers since 2012, he has maintained an AV - Preeminent rating for over 30 years.



Machree Gibson, graduate of UT and UT Law, a past President of the 110,000 member University of Texas Ex-Students Association, former Assistant Secretary of State and senior staff to a former governor, has extensive experience in both the Texas House and Senate.

Together, Graydon and Gibson bring almost eighty years combined experience offering in-depth insight into the workings of Texas government and positive results in the legislative process.

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Combining expertise in real estate, development, zoning, property tax, condemnation, contracts, landlord-tenant, start-up companies, and more, Thomas H. Keen has forged a successful legal career extending more than 30 years. A life-long Texan, University of Texas graduate, and an SMU law graduate, he is licensed to practice in all state courts of the State of Texas, the Northern, Southern, and Eastern Districts of the United States District Courts in Texas, and the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.



Mr. Keen has successfully tried numerous jury and non-jury matters for defendants and plaintiffs throughout Texas, including a million dollar verdict against the City of Dallas. He is also active in commercial real estate transactions, representing buyers, sellers and lenders in the acquisition and disposition of raw land, office buildings, apartment complexes and shopping centers. He has represented landlords and tenants in commercial lease negotiations, lenders and borrowers in loan workouts and foreclosures, and a number of different land owners and businesses in property tax disputes. He is passionate about fine arts, motorcycling, fitness and family.

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Betsy Branch began practicing law in 1990, becoming Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in 2006. Betsy is an AV-rated attorney by Martindale Hubbell in recognition of her ethical and legal ability. A seasoned trial attorney and skilled mediator, Betsy recently completed the requirements as a Parent Facilitator. Betsy Branch maintains a client-focused practice that she describes as holistic. Betsy strives to obtain a unique legal resolution tailored to the goal of the client. When mental health or substance abuse factors into a case, Betsy encourages the client to acknowledge and address the impact of such complications on the case. When a case involves children, Betsy coaches her clients to cultivate positive co-parenting skills.

Betsy opened The Branch Law Firm, PLLC in 2012 and practices with her son, Ryan Branch, a 2016 graduate of the University of Houston Law Center and a 10-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Betsy and Ryan practice primarily in Rockwall County, east of the DFW metroplex, serving Rockwall and the surrounding counties.

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Justin L. WILLIAMS is the founder and managing partner of Williams Attorneys PLLC.

Mr. WILLIAMS has been elected a Texas Super Lawyer by his peers in Plaintiff's Personal Injury law and Mass Torts from 2013-2018; he has been recognized as one of America's Top 100 Plaintiffs Personal injury Attorneys as well as one of the 100 Best High Stakes "Bet the Company" or litigators for over \$2,000,000 cases. He was recognized as one of the Best Lawyers in America by Rue's Rating and is a member of the Distinguished Lawyers of America, the Million and Multi-Million Dollar Advocates and has been recognized by Texas Monthly magazine as one of the Top Lawyers in Texas in Plaintiffs Personal Injury Law from 2013-2018. Mr. WILLIAMS has been AV preeminent rated by Martindale-Hubbard for over 25 years.

Mr. WILLIAMS and his firm, including his sons Sean and Ryan as well as Nathan Clark continue to fight everyday for those injured and damaged in accidents or by bad drugs, illegal actions or in royalty litigation underpayment and bad accounting.

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