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Born and raised in Newton, Texas, Mr. Hilliard attended St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas, on a tennis scholarship and graduated in 1980 summa cum laude, with a bachelor's degree in English literature. While attending law school at St. Mary's University School of Law, he served as associate editor of the St. Mary's Law Journal. He received his Juris Doctorate in 1983 and began his legal career at the Law Offices of Guy Allison in Corpus Christi. In 1985, Mr. Hilliard founded The Law Offices of Robert C. Hilliard.

Mr. Hilliard received his certification from the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Personal Injury Trial Law in 1990 and Civil Trial Law in 1992. He was awarded the 2021 Corpus Christi Bar Association's Lawyer of the Year Award and, in 2023, he was named to the Thomson Reuters' Texas Super Lawyers list for the 20th time. His firm, Hilliard Law, represents clients in mass tort litigation, social justice cases, personal injury, product liability, commercial and business litigation, and wrongful death matters.

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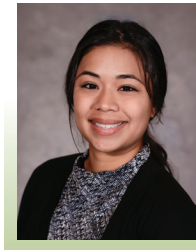
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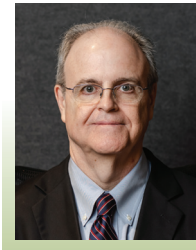


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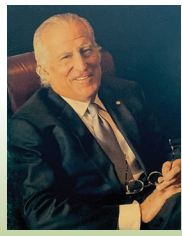
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