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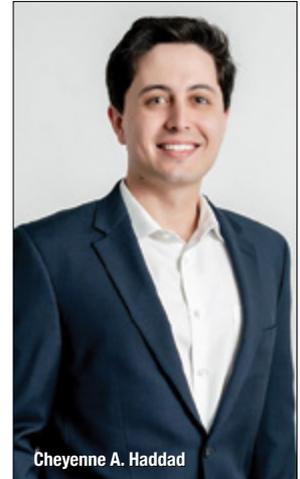
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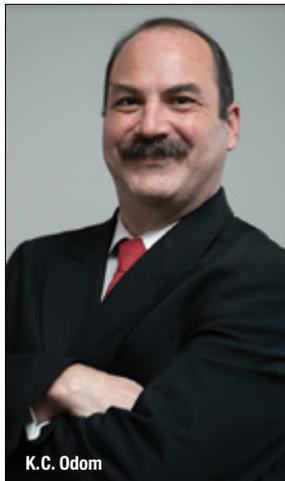
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The Jim Ross Law Group, P.C. prides itself on excellent service to its clients and to its community. We are a family-owned law firm that treats its clients with three major hallmarks: loyalty, honesty, and respect. If you are looking for a law firm that will be on your side through difficult times in your life, you've come to the right place.

This firm was established by attorney Jim Ross, a former Marine, Texas police officer, and Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) task force officer. Jim supervised local offices for some of the country's most prestigious law firms before opening his own practice in Arlington. Having developed a strong tradition of service to his community and country as a Marine and police officer, he brought that tradition to his law practice.

Our firm focuses on five major practice areas: family law,

personal injury, business litigation, and wills and probate. Our lawyers have decades of experience in these areas and have seen just about everything there is to see in a courtroom. You will get straight answers and a clear plan of action after meeting with our attorneys.

We believe that a successful business should give back to the community that helped make it successful. Our firm donates time and money to several charitable causes in the Arlington/Dallas area. You may have seen our logo on the back of a 5k race t-shirt or on a flyer for a fundraiser.

You are welcome to call us anytime to set up a free consultation. We can meet with you in person or help you over the phone. We can even meet with you on a Saturday if you're busy during the week. We have offices in Arlington, Dallas, and Fort Worth.

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HARRIS COOK, LLP

Harris Cook, LLP, is a Full-Service Law Firm serving North Texas with offices in Arlington, Mansfield, and Flower Mound. David L. Cook is the Managing Partner of the firm and Patrick L. Dooley is the Managing Attorney of Harris Cook's Mansfield office. Cook and Dooley have become two of the most sought-after Family and Business attorneys in Tarrant County.

David Cook is Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Family Law. Of the 100,000 attorneys licensed in Texas, fewer than eight percent are Board Certified, with less than one percent of those being Board Certified in Family Law. David Cook is one of those few Family Law attorneys to achieve Board Certification.

Within that discipline, he specializes in cases that involve Collaborative Divorce, Complex Division of Assets or Contested Child Custody matters, and often finds himself representing business owners.

"We represent a lot of small businesses and unfortunately, sometimes our business clients become divorce clients. In reverse, some of our divorce clients turn into business clients of ours. I try to keep a good balance between the knowledge and time that I spend in preparing myself to represent individuals in a divorce matter and in a business context. Often, our clients do have businesses that have to be appraised and divided and/or buyouts take place. The two practice areas really go hand in hand so it's particularly important that you have an attorney that is competent in both regards." David L. Cook.

Attorney Patrick Dooley has a compelling drive for justice and serving his clients. As a Family Law Attorney, Patrick often represents clients in matters of Divorce and Child Custody. Within his Business practice, Patrick represents small to mid-sized companies from various industries in matters of Business Formation, Business Transactions, and Business Litigation.

When asked why he practices family and business law, Patrick Dooley responded "I think my life experiences going all the way back to my childhood played a significant role. Having my parents not only divorce each other but also divorce my stepparents taught me invaluable lessons which I use to help my family law clients. I also enjoy helping business owners produce plans to grow their business and to protect what they have grown. Put simply, I enjoy the friendships created with clients and the process of helping clients."

A Full-Service Law Firm, the attorneys at Harris Cook can help you navigate through any of life's challenges. The firm's primary practice areas include Family Law, Business Law, Real Estate Law, Employment Law, Probate and Guardianship, Estate Planning, Personal Injury, and Public Utilities.

When you work with Harris Cook, LLP, your lawyer will take an active role in every aspect of your case, communicating with you directly and guiding you through each decision you need to make. Contact the attorneys of Harris Cook, LLP at 817-473-3332.



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ROGER "ROCKY" WALTON

While COVID-19 wreaked havoc on businesses throughout the country, the Law Firm of Roger "Rocky" Walton never stopped working hard throughout the pandemic. The practice's founder made sure of that.

"Our advanced technology systems allowed us to easily work hard for our clients independently at home during the health crisis," Walton says. "Even during a health crisis, we were able to negotiate multi-million dollars worth of settlements throughout 2020."

When Gov. Greg Abbott allowed businesses to re-open in May 2020, Walton and his team eagerly returned to the office building and followed significant safety and sanitary guidelines, such as providing personal protective equipment to employees and clients, practicing social distancing and following a strict sanitation schedule. The new measures enhance how the firm is able to comprehensively interact with clients and with legal cohorts.

"Our office is 100% paperless, so we can access our database and files 24/7 via Internet," Walton says. "Our phones are answered 24/7, including holidays. Our clients are able to contact us 24/7 by telephone, text message and e-mail. We offer Zoom meetings, telephone conferences and in-person meetings to make all potential clients and clients feel comfortable. We also work around our clients' schedule and are available after business hours as needed."

Essentially, the pandemic never slowed down what Walton does best: successfully representing clients. "We've conducted multiple successful mediations and court hearings via Zoom meetings," Walton says. "Our office uses cyber-secure 'Cloud-Based' databases for immediate file sharing with insurance adjusters, mediators and opposing counsel to ensure safe transfers of our clients personal information. We offer our clients the ability to electronically sign legal documents and have multiple notaries including an online/electronic notary. We provide our clients with easy disbursement processes, such as electronic deposits and/or disbursement delivery with overnight Fedex / UPS services."



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DONNA J. SMIEDT

Donna Smiedt graduated from SMU Law School at the age of 21, becoming one of the youngest women to graduate at a time when less than a quarter of practicing lawyers were women. Ms. Smiedt opened her family law practice as a Solo Practitioner immediately after graduation. Since that time she has devoted her practice entirely to the area of Family Law, becoming Board Certified by the Texas Board of Specialization.

Ms. Smiedt has practiced exclusively in this area for over 30 years, assisting families suffering divorce and the break up of their families, always seeking to make this process as least devastating as possible. Among the many accolades in her career: Twice selected by her peers as a Superlawyer (an honor reserved for 5% of practicing lawyers in Texas) ... Voted by clients as an Avvo "Top Rated Lawyer" for many years, including 2020 and 2021 most recently ... Voted by peers as a Top Attorney in Fort Worth every year for over a decade. She also was named the favorite family lawyer by *Arlington Today* readers the past three years.

As an outspoken advocate for the best interest of the children going through high-conflict family law custody battles, Ms. Smiedt and her Non-Equity Partner, Desaray R. Muma, are both specially trained as Collaborative Lawyers, a form of family law litigation structured toward assisting parties in negotiating their own family agreements in private meetings removed from the courthouse application of judicial rulings and or jury decisions that can be arbitrary and unreliable. However, if all alternate dispute resolution methods fail, Ms. Smiedt has built her reputation as a specialist in the area of high-conflict custody litigation, especially with the explosion of Parental Alienation cases filed against the other parent peppered with false abuse claims in order to obtain an "upper hand" in custody or divorce proceedings. Not easy cases for the novice litigator, these intense and damaging allegations must be met with the rare but requisite expertise and experience Ms. Smiedt has in this burgeoning area of the law. This specialization coupled with her equally extensive knowledge of separate tracing and characterization cases, as well as representing wealthy clients with large complex estates or closely held family businesses, make her the first choice for many clients needing this level of superlative representation in the field of family law.



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Donna J. Smiedt and her team of fine Lawyers have almost a half a century of cumulative experience as dedicated family law practitioners.

Donna J. Smiedt is Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and has been so certified for 29 years.

Donna J. Smiedt has been practicing family law for 35 years in the DFW area.

Both Donna J. Smiedt and Desaray R. Muma are collaboratively trained to provide clients with a private form of dispute resolution to avoid litigation.



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KAREN SCHROEDER

A fourth-generation Texan, Karen Schroeder is a hometown girl who grew up in Arlington, graduated from Arlington High School in 1985 and continues to reside in Tarrant County with her family.

Karen's passion is educating clients and the public on estate planning options with a goal of equipping them with the legal tools necessary to avoid costly and time-consuming probate. She opened her solo practice in Mansfield in 2009 after almost 15 years serving as in-house counsel for multiple corporations, and as an Assistant District Attorney.

Her law firm specializes in wills and trusts (including gun trusts), elder law and guardianships, asset and wealth protection, and probate.

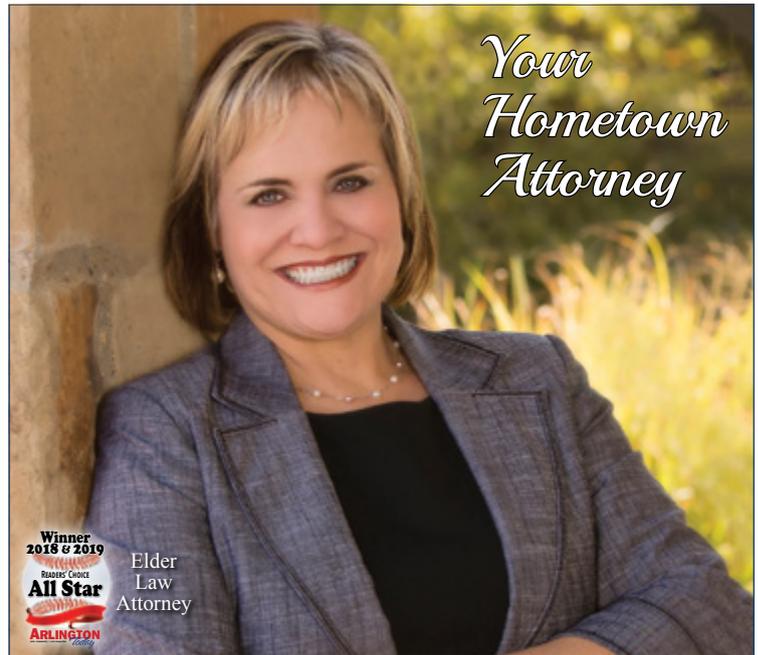
Licensed as a Texas attorney since 1994, Karen has built a reputation as a problem-solver who serves clients' needs with legal professionalism and a commitment to individualized attention. She believes in long-term partnerships and building relationships in the community she still lives in and loves.



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Thursday, July 1, 8:00-10:00 AM

Sanford House Courtyard (506 N. Center St)

Please join us at an outdoor breakfast hosted by the Sanford House & Restaurant 506 for our yearly celebration, a panel discussion, and Annual Awards presentation.

For more event information, including sponsorships and ticket packages, email Elena Thaxton at elena@downtownarlington.org, or visit downtownarlington.org.



STEPHANIE FOSTER

Stephanie Foster started her legal firm, The Law Offices of Stephanie A. Foster, P.C., in 1992 and for the nearly three decades since, she has been devoted to the practice of family law.

The practice concentrates in family legal issues, including divorce, modifications, custody, child support, spousal support, visitation, enforcement of custody/support, paternity and stepparent adoption.

Stephanie says her dream of having her own law practice was nurtured as a child by her father, John Foster, who is an attorney.

"When I was a child," she recalls, "I would beg him to take me to work with him at his law firm every summer."

Throughout her career, Stephanie has focused on family law.

"My professional philosophy is divorce with dignity," she says, noting that she has taken many special measures to serve her clients in the best manner possible. "I was one of the first attorneys trained in collaborative law in 2008. Collaborative Law is a way to divorce with dignity with no court and no war."

She believes the collaborative law process is a powerful way to generate creative solutions in family law disputes while minimizing financial and emotional damage to the couple and their children, all the while promoting post-divorce psychological and financial health of the restructured family.

A graduate of Arlington Martin High School, Southern Methodist University and St. Mary's Law School in San Antonio, Stephanie was named a "Top Attorney" by Fort Worth, Texas magazine in 2003, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.



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Deciding to divorce is one of the most important decisions a person can face so it makes sense to know your options. One option is traditional courtroom litigation. Another option is collaborative divorce.

Although attorney Stephanie A. Foster is prepared to be the warrior in your courtroom battle as she has been in thousands of Tarrant County divorce cases over the past 28 years, her preference is to be the peacemaker in your interest-based negotiations through the dignified, private, child-protecting process known as collaborative divorce which involves no court.

Stephanie A. Foster is confident that the collaborative process is a powerful way to generate creative solutions in family law disputes while minimizing financial and emotional damage to the couple and their children all the while promoting post-divorce psychological and financial health of the restructured family.

As a family law mediator and one of the first Tarrant County attorneys trained in collaborative law, attorney Stephanie A. Foster will help you navigate through your divorce options and zealously represent you through the process of your choice.

Contact attorney Stephanie A. Foster today to discuss your options.

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