



HON. SYLVIA MATTHEWS

Experience:

- Judge of the 281st District Court for over 10 years
 - Presided over more than 175 jury trials and 160 bench trials
 - Elected by her fellow civil judges to serve for two years as the Administrative Judge of the Board of Civil District Judges
- Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association
- Visiting Judge, continues to serve as a visiting judge across the state of Texas
- MDL Judge, appointed to preside over four statewide multi-district litigation involving over 1000 cases related to alleged underpayment of insurance claims (including two MDLs in which a panel of three judges presides)
- Former litigation partner at Andrews Kurth LLP (now Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP)
- Board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization
- Past President, Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists ("TACTAS")

Honors:

- Recipient of 2018 HBA President's Award for exemplary service and leadership through Hurricane Harvey
- Recipient of 2017 HBA President's Award for outstanding service as co-chair of the Administration of Justice Committee

Education:

- J.D., The University of South Carolina School of Law. Member of the Law Review, the Moot Court Bar, and the National Moot Court Team
- B.S., cum laude, The College of Charleston (mathematics)

Personal:

Married to Murray Fogler.

Enjoys theater, architecture, running, and spending time with her husband and family.