



## **HON. ALICIA FRANKLIN YORK FORMER STATE DISTRICT JUDGE**

### **LICENSE**

Licensed by the Supreme Court of Texas, November 6, 2003

State Bar of Texas Number: 24040930

*Licensed by the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Feb. 3, 2011*

Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in 2019, Recertified in 2024

Board Certified in Child Welfare Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in 2020

### **EDUCATION**

St. Mary's School of Law, San Antonio, TX 2000-2003

Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.D.)

Mount Mercy College, Cedar Rapids, IA 1996-2000 \*graduated Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Business Administration,

*Majors: Criminal Justice & Business Administration Management*

*Minor: Sociology*

Columbus High School, Waterloo, IA 1992-1996

### **EXPERIENCE**

**Franklin York Mediations PLLC**

**January 1, 2019-Present**

Attorney providing ADR services (Mediator, Arbitrator, and Special Judge)

**Law Offices of Douglas Ray York PC**

**January 1, 2019-Present**

Of Counsel-providing litigation services in family law

**District Judge of the 311<sup>th</sup> District Family Court of Harris County, Texas** **2014-2018**

Elected term from January 1, 2015-December 31, 2018

*Appointed by Governor Rick Perry for remainder of term from June 13, 2014-December 31, 2014*

**Presiding Judge of the Harris County Family Intervention-Infant Toddler Court**

\*Family Drug Court

**January 1, 2015-December 31, 2018**

**Specialty Courts Advisory Committee**

**December 2014-2023**

Appointed by Governor Greg Abbott for a term from December 2014-February 1, 2023

*\*Appointed to council to evaluate applications for grant funding and make recommendations to the CJ division regarding best practices and quality assurance.*

**Special Master for the 310<sup>th</sup> & 311<sup>th</sup> District Family Courts of Harris County, Texas**

Special appointment by District Judges to hear assigned matters

**January 2010-June 2014**

**Law Offices of Alicia K. Franklin, PC**

**June 16, 2009 to June 13, 2014**

Solo Practitioner litigating cases a high concentration in all aspects of family law

**Goldapp-Rodriguez, L.L.P.**

**March 2004-June 15, 2009**

Associate Attorney

*\*Practice area involving a high concentration in civil law and family law*

**Special Force Commissioner**

**2006**

Appointed by County Judge of Harris County, Houston, Texas to hear eminent domain case

**Law Offices of Frederick Zlotucha, San Antonio, Texas**

**2003-2004**

Associate Attorney, from November 2003-March 2004

Law Clerk from February 2003-November 2003

*Practice area involving criminal law, civil law and family law*

**NON-SUBSCRIBER EXPERIENCE**

Texas Department of Insurance

2021-present

**MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Fellow

2023-present

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

*-Vice President, term January 2019-December 2021*

*-Director, January 2018-December 2018*

Texas Academy of Family Law

Specialist

Gulf Coast Family Law Specialists

State Bar of Texas Pattern Jury Charge Committee (Family and Probate)

2019-2024

National Association of Women Judges

Burta Rhoads Raborn Inn of Court

*\*Received Award of "Best Presentation Overall 2016-2018"*

*\*Received Award of "Best Team Presentation 2017-2018"*

American Inns of Court

Texas Bar College

2019-Present

Texas Bar Foundation

American Bar Association

Houston Bar Association (Family Law Section, Juvenile Law Section, ADR Section)

Houston Bar Association ADR Council, at-large council member

Fort Bend Bar Association (Family Law Section)

Houston Trial Lawyer's Association: Trial Lawyer assigned to JFK Middle School previously

The 100 Club

Houston Realty Business Coalition

Texas Women Lawyers

St. Mary's Alumni Association

Formerly Houston Area Road Runner's Association

## PUBLICATIONS

### **Enhancing Information Sharing in Family Drug Courts: A Lean Six Sigma Case Study**

Juvenile & Family Court Journal, Volume 68, Number 3

September 2017

*Featured in 2006 Texas Lawyer regarding a jury trial victory*

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

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| <b>-Speaker on topic “Top Ten Mistakes We Make in Mediation”</b><br>Houston Bar Association, Webcast January 2024                                             | <b>Webinar</b>              |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Hot Topics in Free Speech Rights”</b><br>Texas Bar CLE, Webcast March 26, 2021                                                          | <b>Webinar</b>              |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “CPS Mediations”</b><br>Texas Modern Mediation Conference, January 2020                                                                  | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Brady Bunch 2.0-Interesting Scenarios &amp; Nuances regarding rights and duties”</b><br>Burta Rhoads Raborn Inn of Court, November 2019 | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “The Expert, Expert Witness”</b><br>Texas AFCC Conference, March 2019                                                                    | <b>The Woodlands, Texas</b> |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Arbitration and Special Judge Assignments”</b><br>Houston Bar Association, March 2019                                                   | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Divorce Lawyers Diaries: Bias in the Courtroom”</b><br>Burta Rhoads Raborn Inn of Court, April 2018                                     | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Parental Alienation”</b><br>Houston Bar Association, January 2018                                                                       | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “As Family Court Judges See It”</b><br>National Business Institute, December 2017                                                        | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Harris County Family Drug Court”</b><br>Family Lawyers of Texas Foundation, September 2017                                              | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “Keeping Infants and Toddlers Safe”</b><br>KITS, June 2015, June 2016, June 2017 & June 2018                                             | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on topic “What Judges Want You to Know”</b><br>National Business Institute, December 2016                                                         | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>Speaker on “Temporary Restraining Orders”</b><br>Texas Family Lawyers, 2016                                                                                | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |
| <b>-Speaker on “Alternatives when DFPS Doesn’t Follow the Rules”</b><br>4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Definitive Ad Litem Seminar in DFPS Cases, April 2014          | <b>Houston, Texas</b>       |

## OTHER RELEVANT CERTIFICATES

*Completed 10 Classroom Hours in Basic Arbitrator by Mediators & Arbitrators of America, November 2018*

*Completed 30 Classroom Hours in Advanced Family Law Mediation by Mediators & Arbitrators of America, December 2018*

*Completed 20 Classroom Hours Child Protective Service Mediation by Mediators & Arbitrators of America, Jan. 2019*

## HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Baking, crafting, traveling, running, being a wife & mommy to a Labrador Retriever