

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Citizenship: U.S.A.

Education:

Bishop Lynch High School, Dallas, Texas (National Honor Society, 3 Sport Letterman)

B.S., Departmental Distinction, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas (Political Science/Economics,)

Juris Doctor (J.D.), Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas

Certificate in Austrian Economics, Ludwig von Mises Institute of Economics, Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama

University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas. Completed ninety three (93) graduate hours in the Ph.D. program in Political Economy; passed comprehensive examinations in Theory and Quantitative Methods. (Admitted to Ph.D. candidacy – ABD).

Ph.D., Finance (specialization in Islamic Finance Structures), Academy for International Modern Studies, London, U.K. (Admitted to candidacy, ABD, estimated completion 2019)

Work Experience:

Dec. 2017 – Current – Adjunct Professor of Economics, Archie Dunham College of Business, Houston Baptist University; responsible for teaching Microeconomics and Macroeconomics to students at Houston area private university serving a select student body of approximately 3,300 students. Introducing students to fundamental concepts of microeconomics, macroeconomics, and global markets, including Keynesian models, Monetarist models, Austrian school models, and various combinations.

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2017-Current – Adjunct Government Faculty, Lone Star College System; responsible for teaching American Government and Texas Government to students at campuses of nation's third largest community college system. Challenging students while leading them through lessons on structures and issues creating and affecting federal and local governments and those that are governed. Nominated for Lone Star College Teaching Excellence Award in first semester on faculty.

2016-Current – Member and Manager, Prudence Analytics, LLC; actively participating with partners in Washington, D.C., Chicago, and Pakistan in development of a tech start-up with capabilities for cost effective data analytics, and consumer targeted digital phone applications. Now in additional R&D mode before rollout.

2007-2016 - Managing Attorney, EatonLaw Texas, *f/k/a* The Eaton Law Firm, PLLC; Provide representation and advice to clients regarding complex tax and finance issues. Mr. Eaton has acted as borrower's counsel, developer's counsel, lender's counsel, special tax counsel and/or bond counsel in transactions totaling over \$1,500,000,000 over the past 25+ years, and routinely advises high profile developers, institutional investors, national rating agencies, elected officials, and private individuals on both business and tax strategies in significant transactions, including international transactions.

Work Experience (continued):

1998–*Current* – Michael W. Eaton, Lobbyist; Provide high level strategic advice to lawmakers and private clients on issues relating to tax and non-profit affordable housing issues at the state and local level in Texas, and at the federal governmental level. Interact with elected officials and other policy makers to promote safe, decent, and affordable housing.

2002-2007 - Managing Attorney, Eaton, Deaguero & Bishop, PLLC; Provided representation and advice to clients regarding highly complex tax and finance structures, especially in the development arena. During his time with this firm, Mr. Eaton became nationally known as an expert on affordable housing finance and tax issues, especially federal and state tax exemptions available to affordable housing projects.

1998-2002 - Partner, Eaton & Kemp, P.C.; All phases of client representation of a variety of commercial businesses, real estate investors, real estate developers, and other businesses, including some of the first internet service providers (ISP's) in Texas. Practice entailed significant commercial litigation involvement and management as well as transactional and significant tax matters.

1995-1998 - Partner, Law Offices of Norman L. "Happy" Nelson, Jr.; Partner in real estate and business practice focusing on HUD financing and tax aspects of multifamily, seniors housing, and assisted living projects.

1988-1995 - Principal Attorney, Law Offices of Michael W. Eaton: Practice focusing on all aspects of business litigation, transactional, and tax matters.

1987-1988 - Founding Texas Attorney, Hall & Vance LLP; Opened Texas office for California based firm focusing on financial institution representation. The firm chose to withdraw from Texas because of expense considerations, and Mr. Eaton continued in active representation of developers, real estate investors, and a wide variety of businesses.

1985-1987 - Page & Addison, P.C. Advanced real estate and related litigation practice for a boutique law firm which represented more country clubs, private dining clubs, and city clubs than any other law firm in the nation, including representation of Club Corporation of America.

1984-1985 - Assistant General Counsel, Kirby Oil, Inc.; All phases of client advising and representation on real estate, tax, and oil and gas issues for a large independent oil and gas producer.

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1996-2015 – Guest Lecturer, University of Texas at Dallas, Southern Methodist University, Collin College – lectured on various subjects relating to law, economics, and government at the request of various faculty members.

1996-1999 – Instructor, Dallas County Community College District – taught Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Business Law to undergraduates at DCCD campus at El Centro College.

1996-1998 – Instructor, University of Texas at Dallas – taught American Government, U.S. Constitutional Law, and Microeconomics to undergraduate students at UT-Dallas. Supervised directly by Dr. Anthony Champagne, Chair of the Dept. of Political Economy at UT-Dallas.

1995-1997 – Special Instructor, Dallas Independent School District – taught at-risk six, seven, and eight-year old children in the Reading One on One Program at Lorenzo De Zavala and Herbert Marcus Elementary Schools, Dallas, Texas, USA

Charity and NGO Experience:

1998-Current – Advisor, Maple Avenue Economic Development Corporation (MAEDC), one of the earliest Hispanic nonprofit development organizations in Texas. Originally focused on the Maple Avenue corridor in Dallas, Texas, MAEDC expanded its reach and mission to include development and management of affordable housing throughout Texas.

2001-2005 – Founding Board Member of Texas Affordable Housing Congress. Together with John Pitts, former Chief Counsel to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, formed a strategic lobbying group in Austin, Texas to address affordable housing issues and lobby regarding Housing Tax Credits.

2002-2012, Governing Board Member, LifeNet Community Behavioral Healthcare, the largest nonprofit mental health healthcare provider in Texas. Was instrumental in adding supportive housing as a focus during the economic downturn in 2008, allowing the organization to survive during a period of significantly fewer grants and diminished donations.

2003-Current, Advisor, Cesar Chavez Foundation (formerly United Farmworkers Service Center). The mission of Cesar Chavez Foundation is to enrich and improve the lives of farm worker and Latino families outside the workplace by meeting their essential human, cultural, and community needs. Advise the foundation on issues relating to housing and tax matters affecting housing.

1996-Current, Advisor, Comunidad Corporation, a nonprofit formed in 1994 to improve the quality of life for Hispanics, especially immigrants, by providing housing, ESL, financial assistance, and education. Act as close advisor to founder and Executive Director John Martin, and advise Mr. Martin on all phases of operation, planning, and development.

Charity and NGO Experience (continued):

2014-Current, Founding Board member, Manna, a Food Recovery Ministry, formed to collect unused high quality fresh food from delicatessens and grocery stores which would otherwise dispose of it and distribute it to homeless shelters in Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas.

2013-Current, Founding Board Member, American International Regulatory Coherence Institute (AIRCI), a non-profit, non-governmental organization devoted to reducing abuse, fragmentation and inefficiency in international legal regulation and governance in order to promote individual freedom, fairer global trade, health, government accountability, peace and global economic prosperity. AIRCI focuses on educating leaders about harmful international regulatory divergences, especially those involving pharmaceuticals and their regulation at local, state, national, and international governance levels, global convergence trends, and potential opportunities for solving the most pressing global problems through more realistic, rational reform of the United Nations and other international bodies.

Political Experience:

1976-1980 - Intern/Staff, U.S. Representative James M. Collins (R-TX). Began as intern and worked my way into a staff position as a liaison with college-aged constituent communities for longtime North Texas Congressman.

1978 - North Texas Youth Coordinator, William P. Clements for Governor Campaign. Served as a paid staffer coordinating seventeen North Texas college campuses for the first successful Republican gubernatorial candidate in over 100 years.

1978- Served as Co-Campaign manager for Will Hartnett for State Representative Campaign. While still an undergraduate, I worked with co-manager Tom Guild for the election of Will Hartnett, a recent Harvard graduate, in his inaugural political race as a Republican running for District 33-E. Ran a good, but losing primary campaign against longtime legislator and later U.S. District Judge Robert Maloney.

1978- SMU re-election Chairman, U.S. Senator John G. Tower Campaign. Led campuswide outreach on behalf of three term U.S. Senator's successful re-election campaign.

1980-1981 - North Texas Area Liaison, U.S. Senator John G. Tower: worked with local and D.C. based staff to maximize the Senator's availability and area policy information.

2004- Campaign organizer and fundraiser, President George W. Bush for Re-election Campaign

2004- Named Life Member, Republican National Committee

2004-2008 - National Republican Senatorial Committee Inner Circle - frequent meetings with Republican members of the U.S. Senate, the RNC, and their staffs regarding current policy issues.

2005-2007 - Informal Policy Advisor and Fundraiser for U.S. Senator George Allen (R-VA)

2007-2008 - Served as a Member of the Texas Finance Committee for Senator John McCain for President Campaign, with Gerald Ford, Harold Simmons, Cary McGuire, George Bayoud, and Jeanne Tower Cox.

Political Experience (continued):

1998-Current - Lobbyist; Provide high level strategic advice to lawmakers in state legislatures

and the U.S. Congress as well as private clients on issues relating to tax and non-profit affordable housing issues at the state and local level in Texas, and at the federal governmental level. Interact with elected officials and other policy makers to promote safe, decent, and affordable housing.

Publications:

- i. *Expert Witnesses in the Courtroom-Determinants of Credibility, A Literature Review*, Jurimetrics, Fall, 1995 (co-author)
- ii. *Expert Witnesses in the Courtroom-Determinants of Credibility*, Jurimetrics, Spring, 1996 (co-author)
- iii. *The 77th Legislature-Changes in Affordable Housing Laws*, 2001
- iv. *Do The Right Thing*, Texas Bar Journal, Vol. 77, No. 7, July, 2014.

Awards:

Decade of Service Award

Texas Lawyers Assistance Program, 2007

Award for representing TLAP for over a decade at speaking appearances sponsored by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics & Professionalism addressing topics of alcoholism, drug abuse, and mental illness in the legal profession.

Eisenhower Commission

Republican National Committee, 2007

The Eisenhower Commission is awarded for outstanding service and dedication demonstrated by a Life Member of the Republican National Committee.

Professional Activities:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Years</u>
Attorney Monitor	Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel State Bar of Texas	1998-2016
Details: Act as attorney monitor for lawyers whose licenses have been suspended and for whom monitoring is a condition of their suspension or probation		
Attorney Monitor	Texas Board of Law Examiners	1998-2016
Details: Act as attorney monitor for newly licensed Texas lawyers given a probationary license		
Member present Past President: 1999-2000	Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers	1994
Details: Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers (LCL) is a group which provides support and guidance for lawyers suffering from alcoholism, drug addiction, and mental health issues. LCL works closely with the Texas Lawyers Assistance Program to provide treatment and recovery options for lawyers, law students, and judges who suffer from substance abuse and mental health issues.		
Attorney Volunteer	Texas Lawyers Assistance Program	1994-present
Details: Act of behalf of TLAP aiding lawyers, law students, and judges with alcohol, substance abuse, or mental health issues that impact their ability to practice law.		

Recent Speeches and Presentations:

- i. City of Dallas Bond Workshop, featured panelist, Dallas, Texas

- ii. CHDO Workshop, sponsor and speaker, Dallas, Texas
- iii. Housing Opportunities presentation at Meadows Foundation, Dallas, Texas
- iv. Guide to the Basics of Law Seminar, Dallas, Texas, and Waco, Texas sponsored by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics & Professionalism Featured speaker, (multiple presentations annually, 1997-present)
- v. The Ethics Course (multiple presentations annually, 2009-present)
- vi. Tax Credit and Bond Presentation, JPI, Inc., Dallas, Texas
- vii. Southwest Tax Credit and Bond conference presented by Reznick Group, Featured speaker/featured panelist, Houston, Texas
- viii. Texas Real Estate Brokers Network- Changes in the Texas Tax Code- How They Affect Multi-Family Housing- Dallas, Texas - Featured Speaker
- ix. William Mac Taylor American Inn of Court – Featured Speaker, 2014
- x. Dallas Bar Association, *Ethics Fest* - Featured Speaker, 2014
- xi. State Bar of Texas Advanced Civil Trial Law - Featured Speaker, 2014
- xx. State Bar of Texas Advanced Business Law – Featured Speaker, 2015

Professional Affiliations and Memberships

Social Affiliations and Memberships

Dallas-Fort Worth Society
 Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International
 College of the State Bar of Texas
Pro Bono College of the State Bar of Texas
 National Association of Bond Lawyers

Texas State Society
 State Bar of Texas
 Capitol Hill Club, Washington, D.C
 Texas Lawyers Assistance Program

Reported cases:

Gill-Massar, et al. v. Dallas County, Texas, 781 S.W.2d 612 (Tex. App.-Dallas, 1989, no writ). Mr. Eaton was specially requested by three sitting State District Judges and one County Court Judge to represent their Court reporters in this case, in which the Dallas County Commissioner’s Court sought to have a statute authorizing Judges to set their court reporters’ salaries declared unconstitutional. After the trial court ruled against the Judges, Mr. Eaton and his co-counsel were successful in winning the appeal, setting a precedent that stands to the present time.

Gulistan Carpet, Inc. v. Porter, 4 S.W.3d 891 (Tex. App.- Dallas, 1999, writ ref’d.). Mr. Eaton and his co-counsel successfully defended the validity of a judgment against an out of state successor in interest to a former Texas business.

Gray & Co. Realtors v. Atlantic Housing Foundation, Inc., 228 S.W.3d 431 (Tex. App.- Dallas, 2007, no pet.). Mr. Eaton successfully defended Atlantic Housing Foundation, Inc., a large non-profit housing organization, against a suit seeking millions in real estate brokerage commissions.

Neary and St. John’s Holdings, Inc. v. MIKOB Properties, Inc. et al. 340 S.W.3d 578 (Tex.App.-Dallas 2011, no pet.). Mr. Eaton successfully defended Comunidad Corporation, a large non-profit housing organization and several subsidiaries, against a suit seeking millions in real estate brokerage commissions and consulting fees.

Reported cases (continued):

Comunidad Balboa, LLC v. City of Nassau Bay, 352 S.W.3d 72 (Tex.App.-Houston [14 Dist.] 2011). Mr. Eaton successfully appealed the grant of a motion for summary judgment in a Texas

Tax Code Section 11.182 case. The case is currently on remand to the trial court for further proceedings. This reported case marks the second successfully appeal of adverse trial court action on this same matter since 2007. Mr. Eaton won a judgment for his client in this matter in a December, 2013 trial, ensuring savings of over \$2,000,000.00 in taxes.

Additional significant trial case:

Cause No. 2008-CI-10362; *Brompton Community Housing Development Corporation, et al. vs. the Bexar Appraisal District, 45th District Court, Bexar County, Texas.* In this case, tried in March, 2012, Mr. Eaton won the first known affordable housing tax exemption jury trial in Texas history. The jury returned a unanimous plaintiff's verdict in less than thirty minutes. The speedy verdict was a taxpayer rejection of the Bexar Appraisal District's war on affordable housing tax exemptions created for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO's). These tax exemptions allow nonprofit housing organizations to provide housing and services to low and moderate income individuals and families.

Mr. Eaton was named the Texas Lawyer Litigator of the Week as a result of the victory in the Brompton case.