

MICHAEL T. PALMER

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EDUCATION:	University of Houston	L.L.M.	May 2002	3.66
	South Texas College of Law	J.D.	Dec. 1999	3.04
	University of Central Texas	M.B.A.	Dec. 1996	3.92
	Illinois State University	B.S.	Dec. 1993	2.98

CRIMINAL AND CIVIL TRIAL EXPERIENCE: 1st chair 16 jury trials with 12 convictions (prosecution)
2nd chair 10 jury trials (prosecution)
1st chair 10 jury trial with 3 acquittals (criminal defense)
2nd chair 3 trials with 3 acquittals (criminal defense)
1st chair judge trial
21 cases dismissed on the day of trial (criminal defense)
2nd chair 2 civil trials involving DTPA and breach of contract
Argued a criminal appeal before the 14th Court of Appeals

EXPERIENCE:

November 2003
To
Present
Criminal Defense Attorney
Law Office of Michael Palmer
Represent clients in misdemeanor and felony cases. Evaluate cases, give legal advice, and plea bargain on behalf of my clients. Conduct legal research, draft motions on legal issues, and write appellate briefs. Get cases ready for trial and tried them.

November 2002
To
November 2003
Prosecutor
Galveston County District Attorneys Office
Handled a misdemeanor caseload of approximately 300 cases. Screened cases submitted to the office for filing. Responded to motions for new trial, to suppress, and discovery. Presented cases to the grand jury. Assisted felony prosecutors in motions to revoke probation. Prepared cases for trial and tried them.

March 2001
To
November 2002
Partner
Wang & Palmer
Engaged in general civil and criminal practice with an emphasis on litigation.

June 2000
To
March 2001
Associate
Law Offices of Howard Kahn
Prepared and responded to discovery, pre-trial motions, and appellate briefs. Prepared and filed lawsuits including: DTPA, Employment, PI, Commercial Transactions, Bankruptcy, IP, Probate and Family Law.

August 1999
To
December 1999
Legal Intern
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Assisted Assistant District Counsel in the preparation of cases at trial and appellate levels, including: removal proceedings, asylum, and deportation.

January 1999
To
August 1999
Legal Intern
Fort Bend District Attorney's Office
Assisted Assistant District Attorneys by conducting research on motions to suppress, evidentiary issues, motions for new trial, writing appellate briefs, preparing petitions for asset forfeiture, and helping with trial preparation, including: issuing subpoenas, voir dire, and preparing witnesses.

August 1998
To
December 1998
Law Clerk
First District Court of Appeals
Researched factual and legal issues, performed cite checks, wrote memorandums, observed oral argument, and drafted opinions.

January 1998
To
May 1998
Law Clerk
United States Magistrate Judge Marcia Crone, Southern District of Texas
Assisted judge in researching and drafting memoranda and orders involving a variety of civil matters, including: civil rights, business litigation, personal injury, and habeas corpus cases.

**AWARDS
AND
ACTIVITIES:**
7th Best Speaker 1998 Abraham, Watkins, Nichols & Friend Mock Trial
Am Jurd: Antitrust, Juvenile Law, Sports Law, and Employment Discrim.
Assistant Article Editor, South Texas Law Review
Can a jury shuffle violate Batson? Voice for the Defense, June 2007

**TRAINING
AND
LICENSES:**
2003 Prosecutor Trial Skills Course
Licensed to practice in Texas—SBN: 24001293
Licensed to practice in Southern District of Texas—FBN: 26293
Licensed to practice in Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals
Served on the Grand Jury for the 182nd District Court in Harris County

MEMBERSHIPS:
Galveston County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association
Harris County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association
Fort Bend County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association
Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association
National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Association