

LESLIE BROCK YATES



CURRICULUM VITAE

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

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- 2020-Present** **Certified Arbitrator:** Arbitrated over 100 cases between medical providers and insurance companies through the Texas Department of Insurance
- 2011-Present** **Visiting Judge:** Presided over hundreds of jury trials in Criminal District Court, Criminal County Court and Civil County Courts in Harris and surrounding counties; Appointed to preside over cases in Texas Appellate Courts
- 2011-Present** **Certified Mediator:** Successfully mediated numerous complex civil lawsuits and appeals in Harris and surrounding counties
- 2011-Present** **Volunteer Mediator:** Mediated cases for the Dispute Resolution Center in Houston, Texas
- 1994-2010** **Justice, Fourteenth Court of Appeals (Houston):** First woman and youngest judge elected to the 14th Court. Presided over both civil and criminal appeals from Harris and surrounding counties. Presided over hundreds of oral arguments as the chief panel judge and issued thousands of appellate opinions
- 1992-1994** **General Litigation Specialist Union Pacific Railroad:** Responsible for all types of litigation cases and jury trials in Texas and Louisiana including FELA and general liability cases
- 1984-1992** **Assistant District Attorney, Harris County District Attorney's Office:** Tried over 100 jury trials in District and County Courts. Established the Gang Prosecutor Task Force in the Special Crimes Bureau; Felony Court Chief Prosecutor; Appellate Division; Deputy Misdemeanor Bureau Chief

EDUCATION

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| 1984 | Juris Doctorate
University of Houston Law Center |
| 1981 | Bachelor of Arts, University of Florida |

ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- **Texas State Bar (1984)**
- **U.S. District Courts, Southern District of Texas**
- **Certified Mediator 2010 (South Texas College of Law)**
- **Certified Arbitrator 2020 (Manouso Mediation & Arbitration LLC)**

SPEAKING / TEACHING

- **Lecturer, University of Houston Law Center & South Texas College of Law**
- **Speaker, State Bar of Texas Continuing Legal Education Programs**
- **Speaker, Houston Bar Association**
- **Published numerous legal articles**

MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

- **Member of State Bar of Texas**
- **Member of Houston Bar Association**
- **Member, Texas Association of Mediators**
- **Credentialed Mediator, Texas Mediator Credentialing Association**
- **Member, American Bar Association**
- **Council Member of the University of Texas System Chancellor's Council**