

# WAYNE J. MALLIA

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## *Qualifications for...* **MEDIATOR AND ARBITRATOR**

**Highly experienced jurist as a District Court Judge for 18 years presiding over civil and criminal cases. Mediator, insurance umpire, versatile litigator and with an impeccable career practicing Texas law. Presided over more than 7000 felony criminal cases and more than 4000 civil cases.**

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Maintained a solid reputation as a fair, hardworking and conscientious judge; known for treating everyone with dignity and respect. Efficiently managed both a civil and criminal docket. Founded and implemented new programs to improve our criminal justice system by applying an innovative and independent perspective.

“Wayne has served as a highly respected trial judge for 16 years presiding over felony criminal and civil cases. I have had the pleasure of practicing before him over these years. Wayne is tremendously well liked and is universally regarded as fair, organized, hard-working and smart. He is always courteous to the parties and attorneys who appear before him. He runs a very user friendly but efficient court as well.” The Honorable Michael J. Guarino

### **Additional qualifications and strengths:**

- ✓ Prolific attorney – efficiently managed high caseloads and maintained an excellent conviction and appellate track record as a trial attorney through organizational skills, meticulous preparation and winning trial strategies.

“I have had the privilege to practice in Judge Mallia’s court, and I have always found that he handled his docket with fairness and efficiency. Wayne has the perfect temperament to serve our Judiciary. He is thoughtful, wise, respectful, and decisive. Judge Mallia has always been a gentleman and courteous to all litigants, both parties and attorneys.”  
E.A. “Trey” Apffel, II-State Bar of Texas Executive Director

- ✓ Highly skilled and sought-after mediator, public speaker, trainer and negotiator with extensive experience in both professional and community settings.
  - ✓ Even temperament and interpersonal skills required to interface effectively with a wide range of personality types.
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## **EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS**

**J.D.:** St. Mary’s School of Law, San Antonio, TX

- Interned for Bexar County DA’s Office for Chief of Intake Section and Chief of Grand Jury Section

**BA,** Psychology; Speech Communication concentration: University of Texas at Austin

### **Texas State Bar**

**Credentialed Mediator,** Texas Mediator Credentialing Association

### **Professional Memberships:**

- The State Bar of Texas
- The Galveston County Bar Association – Past Board Member / Treasurer
- The Brazoria County Bar Association
- The Galveston County Mediators Association
- The Texas Mediator Credentialing Association
- The Texas Association of Mediators

## CAREER TRACK

THE STATE OF TEXAS – Galveston County, TX

2001 to Present

**Senior District Court Judge** • 2013 to Present

**District Court Judge, 405<sup>th</sup> District** • 2001 to 2012

**Elected as first judge of the newly created 405<sup>th</sup> District Court.** Served for 12 years before becoming Senior District Court Judge with visiting judge assignments in Harris, Galveston, Montgomery and Brazoria Counties, hearing felony criminal and civil cases. Frequently invited back to courts based on temperament, knowledge of the law, work ethic, and ability to adapt to the unique policies/procedures of each court and county. Deliver presentations to professional associations. Supervise court coordinators, court reporter and clerks. **Highlights:**

- Presided over 11,000+ civil and criminal cases, including complex cases in oil and gas, employment law, partnerships and contracts, maintaining an excellent reputation as a “fair and consistent jurist.”
- Founded Galveston County’s first specialty court – S.T.E.P. (Sanctions Toward Effective Probation), which laid the groundwork for a subsequent Drug Court and Veteran’s Court, saving money with no cost to the county.
- Elected by peers to chair committee charged with launching the first Galveston County Drug Court.
- Conducted training sessions on Domestic Violence in Advanced Family Law Mediation trainings, which were videotaped and adopted for use at all future trainings.

MALLIA MEDIATION & ARBITRATION – Galveston, TX

2013 to Present

### Mediator

Conduct mediations to help settle lawsuits and avoid trial. Perform insurance umpire work.

- **Conducted 50+ mediations (275+ hours) to date**, from non-complex (car accident injury cases) to very complex cases including contract and insurance cases.

THE GALVESTON COUNTY CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE – Galveston, TX

1987 to 2000

**First Assistant Criminal District Attorney** • 1992 to 2000

**Assistant Criminal District Attorney – Felony Section** • 1989 to 1992

**Assistant Criminal District Attorney – Chief of Misdemeanor Section** • 1988

**Assistant Criminal District Attorney** • 1987

**Promoted to the highest appointed position in the D.A.’s office, supervising 27 attorneys** in the Felony, Misdemeanor, Appellate and Family Law sections. Prosecuted the most serious and high-profile cases – tried complex cases involving extensive and thorough research and preparation and negotiated resolutions and plea bargains. Co-managed D.A.’s office – defined and implemented policies, conducted performance evaluations, and ensured proper training of attorneys. Represented D.A.’s office to the media and the community, including providing presentations to associations and citizen groups and training sessions for law enforcement agencies.

### Highlights:

- Efficiently managed caseloads of 30 to 200+, achieving or exceeding all expectations. Tried more than 65 felony jury cases, including 22 murder/capital murder cases with an excellent conviction and appellate track record.
- Initiated, developed and implemented several programs to improve office operations, including first-ever performance evaluations for assistant D.A.s and a county-wide probable cause finding system to comply with case law requirements used for subsequent statutory requirements.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Some Volunteerism and Civic Board memberships:

- Youth baseball coach (7 years)
- President, O’Connell College Preparatory School Board (since 2009)
- Founder and advisory board member, Teen Court in Galveston, TX
- Former board of directors and President, Operation D.A.R.E., Galveston, TX
- Former board of directors, Women’s Resource and Crisis Center of Galveston, TX