ALAN BUSH

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Professional Experience

Bush Mediation, PLLC

March 2024 – Present | Shenandoah, TX

Mediator

- Mediating full-time.
- Resolved disputes over employment, contracts, real estate, construction, fraud, probate contests and personal injuries.

Linebarger *Partner*

June 2019 – March 2024 | Conroe, TX

• Represented government units in ad valorem tax collection and litigation.

Taught multi-day courses for the Texas Association of Assessing Officers.

Bush Law Firm, PC

2009 – 2019 | The Woodlands, TX

Managing Director

- Defended employers against employment claims including FLSA collective actions and trade secret disputes.
- Clients and work were commensurate with the thought leadership below.
- Prosecuted and defended civil lawsuits in commercial matters.
- Began mediating civil lawsuits in 2018.

Starzyk & Associates, PC

2006 – 2009 | The Woodlands, TX

Associate

- Prosecuted claims for employees against employers including several nationwide FLSA collective actions.
- Defended employers against claims filed by employees.
- Prosecuted and defended civil lawsuits in commercial matters.

West, Webb, Albritton & Gentry PC

2003 – 2006 | College Station, TX

Associate

Prosecuted and defended lawsuits in commercial and employment matters.

Awards and Recognition

Super Lawyers

Rising Star for Employment Litigation 2012 – 2018

Houston CPA Society

Speaker of the Year 2012

Community Involvement

Association of Attorney-Arbitrators *Member 2025 to Present*

Montgomery County Bar Association President 2023-2024 and 2024-2025

Hope Church
Kids Ministry Teacher 2020 to Present
Deacon 2024 to Present

Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center Volunteer Mediator 2024 to Present Advisory Committee 2025 to Present

Leadership Montgomery County Graduate 2007

Education

Southern Methodist University Doctor of Jurisprudence 2003

- SMU Law Review Articles Editor
- Cum Laude graduate Top 3%

Texas A&M University
Bachelor of Business Administration 2000

- Fish Camp Counselor
- Cum Laude graduate

Thought Leadership:

Ethics, Overtime Pay, Trade Secrets and Employment Litigation

Ethics

Practicing Law Through Cancer – and Deep Medical Crises Montgomery County Bar – Law Day 5.2.25

Negotiation Ethics: When You Can't Back Down Brazoria County Bar Association 4.9.25 Practicing Law Through Cancer – and Deep Medical Crises Texas Aggie Bar Association – Annual Conference 3.1.25

Negotiation Ethics: When You Can't Back Down Fort Bend County Bar Association 2.27.25

Negotiation Ethics: When You Can't Back Down Houston Bar Association – Litigation Section 1.22.25

Practicing Law Through Cancer – and Deep Medical Crises *Woodlands Bar Association* 10.9.24

Negotiating When You Can't Back Down *Texas Lawyer* 5.22.24

Negotiation Ethics: When You Can't Back Down Montgomery County Bar Association 6.12.24

Negotiation Ethics: When You Can't Back Down Woodlands Bar Association 4.26.24

"I Just Strong-Armed a Great Settlement! Can I Get Disbarred?" Montgomery County Bar Association 5.3.19

What Campaigns Can Teach Lawyers About Negotiating *Texas Lawyer* 3.15.19

"I Just Strong-Armed a Great Settlement! Can I Get Disbarred?" Woodlands Bar Association 2.13.19

Overtime Pay

Personal Injury Lawyers Want You: Overtime Pay Woodlands Bar Association 11.9.18

Overtime Pay: Sleepless in San Antonio *Texas CPA Society – CPE by the Sea* 6.15.18

Overtime Pay: Sleepless in San Antonio *HR Houston* 2.14.18

Overtime Pay: Sleepless in San Antonio

Houston Bar Association – Litigation Section
10.18.17

Overtime Pay: Sleepless in San Antonio

Houston CPA Society – Spring Accounting Expo
5.23.17

Off-the-Clock Overtime Pay Class Lawsuits: It Only Takes One (Disgruntled Ex-Employee)

Corporate Counsel Review
11.30.16

Early Christmas for Plaintiffs Overtime Counsel *Texas Lawyer* 11.1.16

Overtime Pay: Sleepless in San Antonio *HR Southwest* 10.19.16

HR Legal Lessons from the Oil Patch

Law Day – Montgomery County Bar Association
5.6.16

Overtime Pay Front and Center *Texas Lawyer* 4.20.16

DOL Retools Joint Employment Corporate Counsel Newsletter – Texas Bar 4.4.16

Overtime Pay Nightmares: Don't Lose Sleep *Texas CPA Society Expo* 12.3.15

People Problems in Deals Corporate Counsel Review – Texas Bar 11.2.15

OT Compliance for CPA's and Finance Execs Houston CPA Society – Spring Accounting Expo 5.18.15

HR Legal Troubles That Spoil M&A *Texas Lawyer* 4.20.15

Trade Secret and Overtime Pay Lessons from the Oil Patch Texas A&M Law Review – Energy Law Symposium 4.2.15

Overtime Pay – Safe to go in the Water? HR Southwest 10.26.14

Learn From DOL's Audits in the Oil Patch *Texas Lawyer* 6.9.14

Overtime Lessons from the Oil Patch

Texas A&M Law Review – Energy Law Symposium
3.3.14

Non-Compete and Overtime Lessons from the Oil Patch *Woodlands Bar Association* 10.15.13

Overtime Lessons from the Oil Patch *HR Southwest* 10.9.13

How To Survive the Overtime Dog Pile *Texas Lawyer* 11.5.12

Overtime Claims: Save Your Company (and your own skin) *HR Southwest* 10.17.12

Overtime Claims: Save Your Company (and your own skin) Gulf Coast Symposium for HR 5.10.12

Strategic Policies to Shield Your Company from Overtime Claims Texas Workforce Commission 6.28.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims Texas CPA Society – CPE by the Sea 6.29.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims Houston CPA Society – Spring Accounting Expo 5.23.11

Independent Contractors: More Than You Bargained For Houston CPA Society – Spring Accounting Expo 5.24.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims Houston CPA Society – CFO and Controller Luncheon 1.11.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims *Houston CPA Society* 12.28.10

Employment Law for Business Leaders *MC-SHRM* 9.15.10

Employment Law for the Boardroom: Business Secrets and Overtime Pay *Woodlands Bar Association* 5.4.10

Trade Secrets and Non-Compete

Open Letter to a Data Thief (Turned Federal Defendant) Texas Lawyer 6.22.16

HR Legal Lessons from the Oil Patch

Law Day – Montgomery County Bar Association
5.6.16

People Problems in Deals Corporate Counsel Review – Texas Bar 11.2.15

Digital Damage Control *HR Southwest* 10.27.15

HR Legal Troubles That Spoil M&A *Texas Lawyer* 4.20.15

Trade Secret and Overtime Pay Lessons from the Oil Patch Texas A&M Law Review – Energy Law Symposium 4.2.15

Can You Keep A Secret? Protecting Company Resources Under TUTSA Woodlands Bar Association 11.6.14

Rethink Non-Competes to Keep Them Afloat During Injunctions *Texas Lawyer* 9.9.14

Texas Steps Into the Fray on the "Uniform" Trade Secrets Act *Corporate Counsel Review – Texas Bar* 11.20.13

Non-Compete and Overtime Lessons from the Oil Patch *Woodlands Bar Association* 10.15.13

Tapping A Competitor's Talent Pool *HR Southwest* 10.11.13

5 Things Every Employer Needs to Know About Non-Compete Agreements Houston Business Journal 7.15.13

Non-Competes, Non-Disclosures and Non-Solicitations: Can Someone Explain It All? South Texas College of Law – Employment Law Conference 7.2.13 Major Changes in the Texas Uniform Trade Secrets Act *Texas Lawyer* 5.27.13

Get Smart About Noncompetes Texas Lawyer 4.1.13

Trade Secrets: Security for Soft IP

Corporate Counsel Review – Texas Bar
11.6.12

New Day for Non-Competes: Secure Your Investment in Human Capital *HR Southwest* 10.16.12

New Day for Non-Competes: Secure Your Investment in Human Capital *MC-SHRM* 6.21.12

Marsh v. Cook: Non-Competes Get Even More Teeth Montgomery County Bar Association 3.30.12

Provisions That Turbocharge a Non-Compete *Texas Lawyer* 12.12.11

Non-Compete Agreements: Your Competitive Edge Is At Stake *HR Houston* 11.23.11

HR Meets CSI: Nothing Up My Sleeve, But Hands Off My Thumb Drive *Woodlands Bar Association* 10.13.11

Non-Compete Agreements: Your Competitive Edge Is At Stake *Woodlands EDP HR Executive Forum* 10.4.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims Texas CPA Society – CPE by the Sea 6.29.11 Non-Compete Agreements Help Business Owners Call The Shots *Houston Business Journal* 6.3.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims Houston CPA Society – Spring Accounting Expo 5.23.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims Houston CPA Society – CFO and Controller Luncheon 1.11.11

Employment Law for Business Leaders: Combat Data Theft and Overtime Claims *Houston CPA Society* 12.28.10

Employment Law for Business Leaders *MC-SHRM* 9.15.10

Employment Law for the Boardroom: Business Secrets and Overtime Pay *Woodlands Bar Association* 5.4.10

Employment Disputes

Employing People in a Trump Era Texas CPA Society – Expo 11.29.18

So You've Got an EEOC Charge? *HR Southwest* 10.17.18

Zip It! The Boss' Words Can Bite You. *HR Southwest* 10.15.18

Trump and #MeToo Texas Lawyer 8.29.18

27 Things Plaintiff's Counsel is Begging You To Do *Gulf Coast Symposium on HR* 5.10.18

Are You Smarter Than a Plaintiff's Lawyer? Gulf Coast Symposium on HR 5.10.18

Main Street HR Texas CPA Society Expo 11.30.17

Gender Wage Gap: All Over the Media – and coming soon to a courtroom near you *Woodlands Bar Association* 11.3.17

HR Arbitration and Eggs: Ditching the Bad Rap *Texas Lawyer* 10.31.17

HR in the Trump Administration *HR Southwest* 10.4.17

Living With the Complaining Employee *HR Southwest* 10.3.17

HR in the Hot Seat: 20/20 Hindsight *HR Southwest* 10.2.17

HR Legal Needs Heart Texas Lawyer 9.29.17

Gender Wage Gap: All Over the Media – and coming soon to a courtroom near you *Coastal Bend SHRM* 9.21.17

Escargot and Employee Lawsuits: Best Gulped Down Fast *Coastal Bend SHRM* 9.21.17

HR Optics
Gulf Coast Symposium for HR
5.12.17

Living With the Complaining Employee *Gulf Coast Symposium for HR* 5.11.17

Escargot and Employee Lawsuits: Best Gulped Down Fast *Texas Lawyer* 12.12.16

When The Other Guy's Employees Are Yours Too *HR Southwest* 10.18.16

When The Other Guy's Employees Are Yours Too Woodlands EDP HR Executive Forum 7.14.16

If Tolerance for Religious Expression in Public is Waning, What Does That Mean for the Workplace?

Texas Lawyer
5.10.16

Investigation Report – Lights Out *HR Houston* 4.21.16

Longer Reach Has Its Advantages in Venue Selection Texas Lawyer 12.21.15

Investigation Report – Lights Out *HR Southwest* 10.27.15

Love Gone Sour – HR Legal Issues That Spoil M&A *HR Southwest* 10.26.15

Emmy Red Carpets and Investigation Reports Texas Lawyer 10.12.15

When The Other Guy's Employees Are Yours Too Corporate Counsel Newsletter – Texas Bar 9.9.15 Avoid Costly Litigation by Staying Up to Date on Slurs *Texas Lawyer* 9.7.15

Love Gone Sour – HR Legal Issues That Spoil M&A *M&A Forum Houston* 4.28.15

Trial Lessons from Running a Campaign *Texas Lawyer* 12.15.14

Investigations on the Record (Strictly) *HR Southwest* 10.27.14

Three Things Effective HR Compliance Teams Do *MC-SHRM* 10.7.14

Forward HR Intelligence: Get There First Texas CPA Society – CPE by the Sea 6.18.14

Make Forum Selection Like BBQ *Texas Lawyer* 3.17.14

Use These Tips to Cut Defense Costs *Texas Lawyer* 1.20.14

Tales From the Dark Side Woodlands Bar Association 10.17.13

Work Boots, Not Wing Tips: Lessons from the Oil Rig *Texas Lawyer* 10.14.13

Top 5 Mistakes Made by New In-House Counsel *Texas Lawyer* 8.5.13

Forward HR Intelligence: Get There First

HR Houston 6.5.13

Forward HR Intelligence: Get There First *MC-SHRM* 3.13.13

Forward HR Intelligence: Get There First *Woodlands Bar Association* 2.12.13

Out of the Boxing Ring, Into the Courtroom *Texas Lawyer* 10.15.12

The Defenders

South Texas College of Law – Employment Law Conference
6.24.12

Behind Enemy Lines: Employee-Side Lawyer Tactics *Texas Lawyer* 5.12.12

Employment Law for Business Leaders *MC-SHRM* 9.7.10

Employee Handbooks: Get An Edge *MC-SHRM* 8.16.11