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FIRM OVERVIEW

Francis & Totusek, L.L.P. was formed with the idea to serve every client with honesty and integrity while passionately advocating on their behalf. That same attitude is present today in every employee with the firm. We offer unparalleled personal service and attention, with the rates of a “small” firm and the experience you might expect from the “big” firms.

In the area of commercial litigation, Francis & Totusek, L.L.P. has represented the interests of large corporations and small businesses over variety of legal issues. In connection with such representations, the firm has negotiated numerous transactions and settlements, filed various legal actions and lawsuits, and defended clients in lawsuits in many counties and districts throughout Texas. This firm has also handled appeals of cases in both state (Texas) and federal courts.

OFFICE

The firm has maintained its office in the Ross Tower (formerly Lincoln Plaza) building in downtown Dallas, Texas since April 1, 1995. Although we are based in the Dallas area, we have represented clients located in Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Austin, San Antonio, El Paso, Tyler, and Brownsville, and are prepared to represent clients anywhere in the state. With the electronic media available today, we can maintain a virtual presence throughout Texas.

CLIENTS

Through the years, Francis & Totusek has been privileged to represent many individuals, small businesses and large corporations. A list of the Firm’s current business and corporate clients includes: JP Morgan Chase Bank; Farm Credit Bank; State Farm Bank; First United Bank and Trust Company; Texas Capital Bank; Beal Bank; General Electric Business Financial Services, Inc.; Methodist Hospitals of Dallas; Texas Health Resources; Tenet Healthcare Corporation; Parkland Health and Hospital System; East Texas Medical Center; Hospital Partners of America; Medical Center Neonatal Associates, P. A.; Pediatric Pulmonary Associates of North Texas, P. A.; Beach Sheet Metal Company, Inc.; and Quiltcraft Industries, Inc.

We recognize and value the confidence any client expresses in selecting a lawyer or firm as counsel and hold it not only a duty but a privilege to do our best to justify each client’s trust.

FIRM PERSONNEL

The firm's personnel presently consists of two partners, Blair G. Francis and Donald (Don) L. Totusek; two associates, Bobby D. Amick and Wilson P. Rotenberry; three certificated legal assistants, Ms. Cathy Tarkington, Ms. Regina Carter, and Ms. Kathy Baggett; one legal assistant, Roxana Murray; and one administrator, Ms. Leandra Edwards.

ATTORNEYS

Blair G. Francis, partner, was born in Kermit, Texas on March 17, 1953. He was admitted to the Texas bar in 1979 and is also admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and the United States District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas. Mr. Francis is a 1975 graduate of Abilene Christian College where he received B.A. and B.B.A. degrees *magna cum laude* and a 1979 graduate of the University of Texas School of Law where he received the J.D. degree. Following graduation from law school, Mr. Francis served as a briefing attorney for the Supreme Court of Texas. Mr. Francis is a member of the Dallas and American Bar Associations and the State Bar of Texas. Mr. Francis currently concentrates his practice in commercial litigation, health care disputes and litigation matters.

Donald L. Totusek, partner, was born on September 5, 1951 in Lafayette, Indiana. He was admitted to the Texas bar in 1976 and is also admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Northern District of Texas. Mr. Totusek is a 1973 graduate of Oklahoma State University, where he received a B.S. degree, and a 1976 graduate of the University of Texas School of Law where he received the J.D. degree, *with honors*, and was a member of the Order of the Coif. Mr. Totusek is a member of the State Bar of Texas (Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law section), and the Dallas Bar Association (Probate, Trusts and Estates section). Mr. Totusek is board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Estate Planning and Probate Law. Mr. Totusek currently concentrates his practice in estate planning, probate and banking matters.

Bobby D. Amick, associate, was born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas on March 20, 1969. He was admitted to the Texas bar in 2007 and is also admitted to practice before the United States District Court and United States District Bankruptcy Courts for the Northern, Southern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Texas. Mr. Amick is a 1991 graduate of Northwestern University where he received a B.S. degree and a 2007 graduate of the Baylor Law School where he received the J.D. degree *magna cum laude*. He is a member of the Collin County Bar Association and State Bar of Texas. Mr. Amick concentrates his practice in banking litigation, collection and foreclosure, health care law, and general commercial litigation matters.

Wilson P. Rotenberry, associate, was born on May 11, 1987, in Abilene, Texas. He was admitted to the Texas bar in 2013. Mr. Rotenberry is a 2010 graduate of Abilene Christian University where he received a B.A. degree *summa cum laude* and a 2013 graduate of the University of Texas School of Law where he received the J.D. degree. Mr. Rotenberry concentrates his practice in health care law and general commercial litigation matters.

LEGAL ASSISTANTS

S. Cathy Tarkington holds both bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Christian University. She completed the Legal Assistant Certificate Program at Southern Methodist University, receiving both a General Certificate and a Litigation Certificate from that institution. Ms. Tarkington has been an employee of the firm since its founding and prior thereto of Mr. Francis since October 26, 1992. She has been involved in health care disputes and reimbursement matters since the beginning of the firm's practice in this area in 1995.

Leandra Edwards joined the firm on March 31, 1997. Ms. Edwards holds a B.S. degree from the University of Phoenix. She was a legal secretary with Munger and Munger in Tucson, Arizona prior to joining the firm. Ms. Edwards is the Office Administrator for the firm, and also provides paralegal litigation support to the firm, and has been involved in health care disputes and litigation matters. She is a current member of the Association of Legal Administrators.

Regina E. Carter joined the firm at the beginning of February, 1999. Ms. Carter spent approximately five years in the District Attorney's Office in Monroe, Louisiana. She earned an associate's degree from Southern Tech in Monroe, Louisiana. Ms. Carter has also worked as a litigation support specialist in the collection division of a large national bank with operations in many states. Ms. Carter was awarded her legal assistant certificate from the University of North Texas in August, 2000. Ms. Carter provides paralegal litigation support to the firm, and has been involved in health care disputes and litigation matters.

Kathryn A. Baggett joined the firm at the beginning of February, 2003. She holds a B.S. degree from Oklahoma State University. Ms. Baggett, having had significant experience as a legal assistant and secretary, earned her legal assistant certificate through the University of North Texas in 2002. Ms. Baggett provides paralegal support to the firm, and has assisted in banking, health care and commercial litigation disputes and litigation matters.

Roxana Murray joined the firm on September 1, 2011. She has significant experience in the legal field as a legal assistant since 2002. She has completed most of her hours toward an associates degree of applied science in paralegal studies at El Centro College, Dallas, Texas. Ms. Murray provides paralegal support to the firm in health care reimbursement and litigation matters, as well as estate planning and probate matters.