

Class Notes

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1958

William K. Wilde, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in business litigation for 2004.

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James B. Sales of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in general litigation for 2004.

1962

Harry Reasoner was given the Lifetime of Excellence in Advocacy Award by the Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists.

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V. Scott Kneese, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in labor and employment for 2004.

Edgar J. Marston, III, a managing partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in mergers & acquisitions for 2004. He was also named one of the Top 100 Houston Region Super Lawyers.

Irwin H. Steinhorn, a shareholder in the Oklahoma City office of Conner & Winters, was listed in *The Best Lawyers in America (Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions & Securities Law)*. He also serves as an adjunct professor at Oklahoma City University Law School teaching agency/partnership & limited liability company law.

1965

Charles W. Giraud III, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in estate planning/trusts for 2004.

Pike Powers of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in general litigation for 2004.

1966

W.K. Adam of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in energy for 2004.

Linton E. Barbee of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in banking and financial for 2004.

Frank G. Jones of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in general litigation for 2004. Frank was also named one of the Top 100 Super Lawyers in the Houston region.

Jay Madrid of Winstead Sechrest & Minick has been elected to the firm's executive committee. Madrid is chair of the firm's litigation/dispute resolution practice.

Dudley Oldham of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in general litigation for 2004.

1967

Charles C. Foster, manager of the immigration section in the Houston Office of Tindall & Foster, was recently recognized with three honors. He was awarded the Royal Decoration of the Knight Commander (Second Class) of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand. As co-chair of the Houston Monument Committee, he spoke at the December 2, 2004 dedication of the George Bush (41st) Presidential Monument in downtown Houston. He was also re-elected chairman of the board of the Asia Society Texas.

J. Clifford Gunter III, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in business litigation for 2004.

Patrick C. Oxford, a managing partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in administrative for 2004

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Byron Egan, a partner in the Dallas office of Jackson Walker, was selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2005-2006* for his achievements in mergers and acquisitions and securities law. He was also recognized as a top corporate lawyer by *D Magazine* and *Texas Monthly*, respectively. Egan has over 30 years experience in business entity formation and governance matters, mergers and acquisitions, and financing transactions.

John S. Hollyfield of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in real estate for 2004.

George P. Parker Jr., of counsel in the San Antonio office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in labor & employment for 2004.

Charles H. "Hank" Still of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in publicly held companies' law for 2004. He was also named one of the top Super Lawyers in the Houston region.

Douglas Whaley has retired from The Ohio State University Mortiz College of Law, after 35 years of law teaching. His subjects were contracts and commercial law.

1969

John L. Bland, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in mergers & acquisitions for 2004.

Lawrence H. Clore of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in labor & employment for 2004.

Rodney C. Koenig of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in estate planning/trusts for 2004.

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Robert G. “Jerry” Converse of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in real estate for 2004.

Christopher E. H. Dack of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in international for 2004.

Kelly Frels, a senior partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in schools & education for 2004.

Claiborne B. Gregory, Jr., a partner in the business transactions section of Jackson Walker, was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* for 2004.

Samuel A. Simon of Issue Dynamics Inc. was re-elected as chair of the board of the National Consumers League, the oldest consumer organization in the United States.

Terry O. Tottenham of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in civil litigation defense for 2004. He was also named one of the Top 100 Texas Super Lawyers.

1971

John A. Watson of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in corporate finance for 2004.

1972

Osborne J. Dykes III of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in general litigation for 2004.

William Pakalka of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly Texas Super Lawyer* in business litigation for 2004.

1973

Steven Buxbaum, a partner in the Houston office of Haynes and Boone, struck a 180-yard hole-in-one on Nov. 15, 2004, during a golf tournament benefiting the Muscular Dystrophy Association to win a Corvette valued at \$60,000. Buxbaum, a native Houstonian, formerly served as chairman and board member for the Galleria Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Westwood Golf Club. Buxbaum specializes in corporate and partnership law, mergers and acquisitions, and general business transactions.

Robert Cohan, a partner in the litigation section and chair of the antitrust group in the Dallas office of Jackson Walker, was selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2005-2006* for his achievements in antitrust, business litigation and environmental law. Cohan was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in 2004.

David Hilgers, a partner in the Austin office of Brown McCarroll, was honored as one of ten attorneys nationally to receive Nightingale's Healthcare News' Outstanding Physician Practice Lawyers for 2004. Hilgers primary focus is on health care, corporate, and administrative law.

Thomas O. Moore III, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in energy for 2004.

Jim Nolan, a shareholder and member of the real estate practice in the Dallas office of Winstead Sechrest & Minick, was re-elected to the firm's executive committee. Nolan has served on the firm's executive committee for the past three years.

Philip F. Ricketts, a partner in the Austin office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in utilities for 2004.

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David Dunlap, a partner in the Houston office of Jackson Walker was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer for 2004.

J. Tullos Wells, a managing partner in the San Antonio office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer for 2004.

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Gilbert J. Bernal, Jr., partner of Stahl, Bernal & Davies, is pleased to announce the addition of a new partner, Thomas I. Davies, to his Austin firm.

Brian S. Greig of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in labor & employment for 2004. Greig was also named one of the Top 50 Super Lawyers in Central Texas.

R. Daniel Witschey Jr., a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in corporate finance for 2004.

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Linda Addison of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in civil litigation defense for 2004. Addison was also named one of the Top 50 Female Texas Super Lawyers.

Michael W. Anglin of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in bankruptcy & workout for 2004.

James M. Summers of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in real estate for 2004.

J. David Thompson III, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in schools & education for 2004.

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Jerry A. Bell, Jr. of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in health care for 2004.

Mark C. Evans, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in banking & financial for 2004.

Robert S. Harrell of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in business litigation for 2004.

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Roger D. Aksamit, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in tax law for 2004.

William H. Caudill of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in tax law for 2004. Caudill was also named one of the Top 100 Super Lawyers in the Houston region.

Michael Pearson, a partner in the Houston office of Jackson Walker, was selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2005-2006* for his achievements in natural resources law. Pearson is a partner in the business transactions section and co-chairman of the energy practice group of Jackson Walker.

Yvonne K. Puig of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in health care for 2004.

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Joan Dubinsky has been appointed the ethics officer of the International Monetary Fund, located in Washington, D.C. Dubinsky comes to the IMF from the Rosentreter Group, a

management consulting practice that she led and founded, that provides expertise in business ethics, organizational development, corporate compliance, and human resources. She also served as senior legal counsel and compliance officer for the MITRE Corporation and as corporate secretary, associate general counsel and ethics officer for the American Red Cross.

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Thomas I. Davies has joined the Austin law firm of Stahl, Bernal & Davies as a partner. He is board certified in commercial real estate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and will focus his practice in the firm's commercial real estate and business transactions sections.

Janet L. Horton, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in schools & education for 2004.

Kenneth R. Ramirez, a partner in the Austin office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in administrative for 2004.

Clark G. Thompson Jr., a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in energy for 2004.

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Reagan M. Brown of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in civil litigation defense for 2004.

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Ruben R. Barrera, a partner in the San Antonio office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in cities & municipalities law for 2004.

Carrin F. Patman, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in civil litigation defense for 2004.

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Karl G. Dial of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in business litigation for 2004.

Roberta J. Hegland, a partner in the Corpus Christi office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in civil litigation defense for 2004.

Jonathan B. Skidmore of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in class actions/mass torts for 2004.

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Mario A. Barrera, a partner in the San Antonio office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in labor & employment for 2004.

Richard J. Groos of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in intellectual property for 2004.

Stephen A. Kuntz of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in tax law for 2004.

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Eric Groten, a partner in the Austin office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in environmental /land use for 2004.

Brenda N. Phillips has joined Bass, Berry & Sims as staff attorney. Her practice focuses on complex business and commercial litigation. She is also an instructor at Vanderbilt University Law School.

Lynn Rossi Scott, a partner in the Dallas office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in school & education for 2004.

Del Williams was named vice president and secretary of Perot Systems in September 2004. He also serves as general counsel for the company and leads the legal and internal audit groups. Williams is President Elect of the Law School's Alumni Association.

Alan V. Ytterberg of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in estate planning/ trusts for 2004.

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William Hornberger of Jackson Walker was selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2005-2006* for his achievements in tax law. His tax practice emphasizes transactional and international tax matters and tax controversy issues. He was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer for 2004.

Brian C. Newby has been named the general counsel for Gov. Rick Perry. Newby is a partner at Cantey & Hanger where he specializes in commercial litigation, regulatory, employment and business law. He has served on the Texas Tech University Board of Regents since 1999 and has been vice chairman of the board since 2003.

Stephanie M. Schroepfer of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in employee benefits for 2004.

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Jonathan P. Graham has been appointed vice president, litigation and legal policy for GE. Graham was a partner with Williams & Connolly in Washington, D.C., where he focused on commercial litigation, international disputes and criminal defense matters.

Jack Hicks, a lawyer in the intellectual property practice group at Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, was named one of *The Best Lawyers in America* for 2004.

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Lisa A. Brown, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in schools & education for 2004.

Sheri Deterling and her husband Geoff Hawkes are thrilled to announce the birth of their first child, Brian Leslie Hawkes, on July 16, 2004.

David Frederick, a lawyer with Rose & Rose was named one of the top civil rights lawyers in the Washington, D.C. area by *Washingtonian* magazine in December 2004.

Jonathan E. Retsky of Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione, has re-joined the firm as a shareholder in the Chicago office. Mr. Retsky is a patent attorney with experience in litigation and patent preparation and prosecution. He is a member of the Licensing Executive Society, USA and Canada (LESI), where he was the Co-chair of the Electronics Industry Committee from 1996-1999, the American Intellectual Property Law Association and the Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago. He has served as an Adjunct Professor in Contemporary Technology & Intellectual Property Law at The John Marshall Law School since 1995.

Brent G. Stahl, is pleased to announce the addition of a new partner, Thomas I. Davies, to his Austin law firm of Stahl, Bernal & Davies.

Dave Wachtel, a lawyer with Rose & Rose was named one of the top civil rights lawyers in the Washington, D.C. area by *Washingtonian* magazine in December 2004.

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Edmund A. Normand was selected by *Florida Trend Magazine* as a Florida Legal Elite. The Legal Elite are selected by their peers as the top 1.6 % of 54,135 Florida Bar Members. Mr. Normand is in his fourteenth year of practice with the firm Wooten, Honeywell, Kimbrough, Gibson, Doherty and Normand in Orlando, Florida. His practice focuses on plaintiffs' personal injury with a special emphasis on medical malpractice and product liability.

Phillip D. Sharp, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in civil litigation defense for 2004.

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Dewey J. Gonsoulin Jr., a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in corporate finance for 2004.

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Benton Barton and Michelle Blouin-Barton announce the birth of their daughter, Elise Claire, born September 8, 2004. Elise joins her two-year-old brother, Jack, at home in Castle Rock, Colorado. Barton was recently elected partner in the Denver office of Hall & Evans, where he practices as a civil trial lawyer.

Michael Calhoon has been named partner of the Washington, D.C., office of Baker Botts. His practice focuses on commercial litigation and international arbitration and he represents clients in a wide range of cases involving such matters as business torts, breach of contract, fraud, and disputes centering on intellectual property assets. He also litigates complex suits relating to professional malpractice, employment-related issues, insurance, product liability, and personal injury.

Rachel Giesber Clingman, a partner with Fulbright & Jaworski where she practices litigation law was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

Richard Krumholz of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in business litigation for 2004.

Edward C. Lewis, a partner with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices environmental law was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

Katherine T. Mize has joined Legge, Farrow, Kimmitt, McGrath & Brown, a litigation boutique, as a partner and co-director of its labor and employment practice.

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W. James McAnelly III, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in oil & gas for 2004.

Michael M. Parker of Fulbright & Jaworski was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in bankruptcy & workout for 2004.

Eden P. Sholeen, a partner in the Houston office of Bracewell & Patterson, was named a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer in employment litigation for 2004.

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Ricardo Garcia-Moreno has been elected a shareholder with Winstead Sechrest & Minick. Garcia-Moreno's practice is in corporate/securities/mergers & acquisitions, and sports business & public venues.

Jennifer Hayes (nee Frasier) and her husband Chris are proud to announce the birth of their third child, Liam Patrick Hayes on February 3, 2004 in Walnut Creek, CA. Their other children

are Emma Grace, who is 3, and Sean Connors, who is 2. Hayes is the permanent law clerk to Bankruptcy Judge Thomas E. Carlson in San Francisco.

Lori Ploeger has joined Cooley Godward as a partner in the firm's litigation department. Her practice centers on appellate litigation. She will serve as a co-chair of the ABA Appellate Practice Committee Pro Bono Subcommittee during 2005, and is currently a co-chair of the Committee's Young Lawyers Subcommittee.

Kevin W. Yankowsky, a partner with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices health law, was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

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Charles B. Walker, Jr., a senior associate with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices intellectual property law, was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

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Chris Arntzen has been named partner in the Houston office of Baker Botts. His practice focuses on securities offerings, mergers and acquisitions, and general corporate and securities matters.

Chris Artzer has been appointed vice president and general counsel for Texas Petrochemicals Inc. (TPI). He joins the company from Akin Gump Strauss Hauer and Feld. Artzer has spent the last several years in the financial restructuring practice, adding to his broad practice in transactional and commercial matters.

Karen Griffin has been named partner in the Dallas office of Baker Botts. Her practice focuses on litigation and she assists clients in all major areas of employment law and labor relations.

David Rodi has been named partner in the Houston office of Baker Botts. His practice focuses on litigation, arbitration, and regulatory investigations. He also handles coverage disputes on behalf of both insurers and insureds.

Jeffrey Sullivan has been named a partner in the New York office of Baker Botts. His practice focuses on the litigation of patent, trademark, trade secret, unfair competition, and copyright disputes.

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Andrew P. Price, a senior associate with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices litigation law, was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

1998

Stephen Wade Nebgen, has opened his own law office in Phoenix, Arizona. The Law Offices of Stephen Wade Nebgen, focuses on entertainment law and intellectual property. Mr. Nebgen's practice also includes bankruptcy and business reorganization, with a special emphasis on the reorganization issues confronting entertainers and production companies. Mr. Nebgen also runs two theatres in the Phoenix metropolitan area.

Royce Poinsett, who has worked for Texas Governor George W. Bush and Rick Perry as well as U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, is the new general counsel to the speaker of the Texas House of Representatives. Poinsett joined the speaker's office after three years on Perry's staff where he served as the governor's counsel for budget, planning and policy. He was an intern policy analyst on Bush's staff in 1997 and a political aide to Hutchison, R-Texas, in 1994. Poinsett was Perry's primary policy adviser on insurance, workers' compensation and banking issues before he joined Craddick's staff. He was also the governor's primary counsel on budget issues and was lead counsel and negotiator on economic development grants from the Texas Enterprise Fund.

1999

Jeff Edwards, an associate at Whitehurst, Harkness, Ozmun & Brees, won the Austin Under 40 Award for the law category in 2004. Austin Under 40 is a joint collaboration between the Young Women's Alliance (YWA) and the Young Men's Business League (YMBL). It honors men and women under the age of 40 who have excelled in their field of endeavor and demonstrated service to the community - outstanding business leaders, inventors of technology, educators, lawyers, public servants, etc.

Christopher J. Lallo, senior associate with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices tax law, was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

Davor S. Vukadin, senior associate with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices banking/corporate law, was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

2000

Nicholas J. Brunick, who received both a law degree and a master's degree in public affairs in 2000 and uses his skills to address the issue of affordable housing in the Chicago region, was one of seven finalists for a national Catholic award to recognize young Catholics who are working to break the cycle of poverty in the United States. Mr. Brunick, an active member of St. Clement Parish in Chicago, is director of the Regional Affordable Housing Initiative that uses legislative advocacy, legal and policy research, litigation, and organizing to preserve and create affordable housing in the region. He developed and led a legislative campaign that resulted in passage of Illinois' Affordable Housing Planning and Appeal Act in 2003. He organized and co-chaired the Housing Roundtable, a coalition of more than 200 organizations whose work resulted in passage of three pieces of housing legislation in the 2003 Illinois General Assembly. In addition to his work for affordable housing, he provides support to campaigns for living wages for workers, and was instrumental in the 2003 fight to raise the state minimum wage to \$6.50 per hour.

Kate McPartlin has joined Fulbright & Jaworski's Austin office as counsel. McPartlin has experience in intellectual property, litigation, regulatory and corporate law experience. She has represented clients in industries as diverse as health care, water supply and technology.

Carlos R. Rainer, Jr., associate with Fulbright & Jaworski where he practices antitrust law, was listed by *H Texas Magazine* as an up-and-coming lawyer in the Houston legal community for 2004.

2004

Adam S. Harbin is an associate in Bass, Berry & Sims' corporate and securities practice area. While in law school, Harbin was selected as a Chancellor, the school's highest academic honor. In addition, he served on the *Texas Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif.

Terry David Roberts has joined the Austin office of Vinson & Elkins as an associate in the Employment Litigation and Labor Section.