

# Maya Guerra Gamble

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## ELECTED POSITION

Judge, 459<sup>th</sup> District Court, Travis County, Texas, January 1, 2019 to present

## EDUCATION

Yale Law School, J.D., May 1996

Honors: Walter T. Skallerup Scholarship; Hans A. & Elizabeth R. Klagsbrunn Scholarship; Yale Journal of Law & the Humanities, Managing Editor; The Initiative for Public Interest Law at Yale, Secretary; Research Assistant to Professor Vicki Schultz; Yale Law Women's Association, member.

The University of Texas School of Law, 1993-1994 academic year

Honors: Selected for the Texas Law Review; Vinson & Elkins Scholarship; Dean's Scholarship; The Women's Roundtable, Leadership Texas, member; Women's Law Caucus, member.

Yale University, B.A. with Distinction in Psychology, May 1992

## BAR ADMISSION: Texas

## AWARDS

HABLA Elected Official Latina, Finalist, 2022

Scouting ... Vale la Pena! Service Award, 2022

Committee Chair of the Year 2020-2021, Austin Bar President Award

LULAC Award, 2021

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's Law Enforcement Award, May 2003

Texas Attorney General's Merit Award, August 2002

Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service, June 2000

Department of Health & Human Services' Office of Inspector General's Cooperative Achievement Award, September 2000

President's Council on Integrity & Efficiency's Award for Excellence, September 2000

## LAW CLERK EXPERIENCE

The Honorable Richard D. Cudahy, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Law Clerk, September 1996 to September 1997

## EXPERIENCE

### **Attorney & Counselor at Law, Austin, Texas, January 2011 to present; July 2005 to August 2007**

Represent parents or children in all aspects of CPS litigation including investigation, services, court hearings, placements, and mediations.

Elected to the Court Appointed Family Attorneys Austin Bar Section Board for 2006-2007, 2016-2017 term. Serve on the Texas Blueprint Implementation Task Force. Vice-Chair of the Travis County Child Welfare Board.

**Of Counsel, O'Connell & Soifer, Austin, Texas, October 2011 to October 2014**

Represent whistleblower/relators in False Claims Act litigation independently and in conjunction with the Department of Justice and state Attorney Generals.

**Texas Office of the Attorney General, Internet Bureau, Austin, Texas**

**Assistant Attorney General, January 2001 to January 2004**

Represented Texas Government prosecuting all manner of computer and Internet crimes, including directing the investigation, reviewing search warrant applications, drafting and seeking indictments, all pre-trial matters, and trial. Noteworthy accomplishments and matters include:

- Investigated and prosecuted 64-count felony sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault, indecency with a child, and promotion and possession of child pornography case.
- Investigated and prosecuted felony promotion and possession of child pornography cases.
- Spoke and taught regularly at citizen and law enforcement groups across Texas.

Attended specialized training including:

- Intensive prosecutor skills class with the National District Attorneys Association.
- National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's Prosecutor Course.

**United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.**

**Trial Attorney (Honor's Program Hire), September 1997 to January 2001**

Represented United States Government in all aspects of False Claims Act litigation, including investigating, negotiating and settling claims; briefing and arguing substantive motions; taking and defending depositions. Noteworthy accomplishments and matters include:

- Investigated, negotiated, and settled record-setting civil health care fraud recovery, for \$385,000,000 civil and \$101,000,000 criminal (Fresenius National Medical Care Settlement).
- Took and defended dozens of depositions and briefed discovery motions in the case against Northrop Grumman
- Briefed and won two landmark relator's share disputes in federal district court.
- Investigated, negotiated and settled False Claims Act claims against four individual physicians in Washington state; with a nationwide impact on suggested practice for nephrologists.
- Investigated, negotiated, and settled False Claims Act claim against a consulting firm in Boston, for \$1,900,000.
- Investigated, negotiated, and settled False Claims Act claim against an Indian Tribe in Oregon, for \$4,500,000.

Baron & Budd, Dallas, Texas

Summer Associate, Summer 1995

Texas Appellate Practice & Resource Center, Austin, Texas

Summer Associate, Summer 1995

Texas Rural Legal Aide, Edinburg, Texas

Summer Associate, Summer 1994

Steptoe & Johnson, Washington, D.C.

Summer Associate, Summer 1994

Judge Bob Perkins, 331st District, Austin, Texas  
Judicial Intern, February to May, 1994

Senator Gregory Luna, Texas State Senate, Austin, Texas  
Legislative Aide, January to July, 1993

Vinson & Elkins, L.L.P., Austin, Texas  
Project Assistant to partner Roger Nevola, July 1992 to January 1993

Pro Bono Family Law Clinic, Austin, Texas  
Case Manager, 1992-1993