

DAPHNE PATTISON (SILVERMAN)

Member of the Bar, State of Texas, admitted 1991

Member of the Bar, State of Mississippi, admitted 1995

ATTORNEY EXPERIENCE

Silverman Law Group, Austin, Texas (We moved to Austin in April 2013.)

Partner with husband, December 2008 – present

Federal criminal defense nationwide and state criminal defense in Texas along with a smattering of federal civil litigation.

Solo Practitioner, Houston, Texas

Owner, July 2006 to December 2008

Federal criminal defense nationwide and state criminal defense in Texas.

McNabb Associates, P.C., Houston, Texas

Associate, October 2005 to July 2006

Federal criminal defense nationwide.

Solo Practitioner, Gulf Coast, Mississippi

Owner, June 1997 to September 2005

Federal and state criminal defense, personal injury, corporate law, wills and estates. Life relocated to Texas by Hurricane Katrina.

Robert A. Pritchard, Pascagoula, Mississippi

Associate, July 1996 to June 1997

Complex personal injury litigation including asbestos, tobacco, and premises liability as well as estate probate.

Rushing & Guice, Biloxi, Mississippi

Associate, July 1995 to July 1996

Commercial law, federal criminal law, corporate law, domestic relations, real estate transactions, estate planning and personal injury.

MILITARY SERVICE

United States Navy Reserves, Strategic Command, reserve duty, Omaha, Nebraska

Assistant to Staff Judge Advocate, October 2004 to December 2005

Advise installation commands on various secured legal issues.

United States Navy Reserves, NRLSO Central 109, reserve duty, New Orleans

Legal Assistance Attorney, October 2002 to October 2004

Support Naval Legal Service Office at Naval Construction Battalion Center with legal assistance including will preparation prior to deployment, immigration matters, and other issues of importance to individual Seabees.

United States Navy, active duty, Gulfport, Mississippi

Staff Judge Advocate, September 1993 to June 1995

Advised installation commander and tenant commanders on a variety of legal issues including military justice, environmental law, government standards of conduct, labor law, and the Freedom of Information Act. Wrote monthly *Ask the Lawyer* column for base newspaper addressing legal issues relevant to the lives of service members.

United States Attorney, additional duty, Jackson, Mississippi

Special Assistant, September 1993 to June 1995

Prosecuted misdemeanor and felony violations of the United States Code occurring on board Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport and John C. Stennis Space Center. Handled approximately 25 cases by trial or plea bargain.

United States Navy, active duty, Gulfport, Mississippi

Criminal Defense and Legal Assistance Attorney,

November 1991 to August 1993

Tried 24 court-martials and defended 17 individuals at administrative separation hearings including a Tailhook case. Successfully salvaged the career of one of the pilots responsible for organizing and directing Tailhook. Sole attorney providing defense services to all Navy bases in Southern Mississippi. Received Navy Achievement Medal for exceptional trial skill. Finalist in Trial Advocacy Competition at Naval Justice School. Provided legal assistance including will preparation and intervention in other legal disputes on behalf of sailors.

PROFESSIONAL and PERSONAL ASSOCIATIONS

National Lawyers Guild

- Regional Vice President

Rotary Club of Houston (prior to move to Austin)

- Founding Chair of Rotaract Committee
- Chair of Youth Committee
- Rotary Ambassador
- Chair of Distinguished Citizen Award Committee

Austin Criminal Defense Lawyers Association

Austin Bar Association

EDUCATION

University of Houston Law Center

Juris Doctorate, May 1991

- 2 Top 1/3rd
- 2 Phi Delta Phi
- 2 Environmental Law Society (President)

Southern Methodist University

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science/Math, May 1988

- 2 GPA 3.44
- 2 Mortar Board (Vice-President)
- 2 School of Engineering & Applied Science Scholar
- 2 Program Council (Vice-President of Administration)
- 2 Student Senate
- 2 Association of Computing Machinery (Founder)