



Mary K. Sahs, P.C.

attorney at law

MARY K. SAHS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LICENSES

Licensed by the Supreme Court of Texas in November 1985.

PRESIDENT, MARY K. SAHS, P.C. FORMERLY SAHS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., Austin, Texas, September 1998 through January 2008; September 2012 to present. Administrative, environmental, local government, and water law.

OF COUNSEL, CARLS, MCDONALD & DALRYMPLE LLP, Austin, Texas, February 2008 through August 2012. Administrative, environmental, governmental entity, and water law.

PRINCIPAL, LAW OFFICES OF MARY K. SAHS, Austin, Texas, November 1995 to September 1998. Civil litigation, administrative, environmental, water law, and legislative practice.

ASSOCIATE, GARDERE & WYNNE, L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, September 1992 to November 1995. Environmental and legislative practice.

PUBLIC INTEREST COUNSEL, TEXAS WATER COMMISSION, Austin, Texas, January to September 1992. Environmental public advocate.

HEARINGS EXAMINER, TEXAS WATER COMMISSION, Austin, Texas, August 1988 - January 1992. Water quality, water and sewer retail and wholesale rates, utility certificates of convenience and necessity, water rights, hazardous and industrial waste including air components, enforcement.

For information about earlier professional experience, please contact me.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF LAW, Austin Texas, Doctor of Jurisprudence with Honors, May 1985.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO, Bachelor of Arts in History with High Honors, May 1974.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

AUSTIN BAR ASSOCIATION, Administrative Law Section; Environmental, Natural Resource, and Water Law Section; Oil, Gas and Mineral Law Section; Real Estate Section; Solo/Small Firm Section, member: ongoing.

COLLEGE OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS, MEMBER: 2001 – 2011; **FELLOW:** 2012-present.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW SECTION, State Bar of Texas, member: 1986 - present.

INDUSTRY COUNCIL ON THE ENVIRONMENT, member: 2017 – present.

TEXAS WATER CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, member: 2001 – present. Member of **GROUNDWATER LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE** for the 82nd, 84th, 85th, and 86th legislative sessions.

TRAVIS COUNTY WOMEN LAWYERS' FOUNDATION, LIFETIME FELLOW

WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS, MEMBER: 2002 – 2016.

AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS AND SEMINAR PARTICIPATION

AWARDS:

Selected by her peers for inclusion in **Women in the Law: Top Peer Nominated Lawyers** in the March 2017 publication of "**The Best Lawyers in America®**".

Received recognition annually in Woodward/White, Inc.'s **2014 - 2020 U.S. News - Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms" rankings**.

Selected by her peers annually for inclusion in Woodward/White, Inc.'s 2009 through 2020 editions of **The Best Lawyers in America®** - Texas, in the field of **Water Law**.

Received the highest possible rating in both legal ability and ethical standards from her peers and was included in the inaugural through the 2015 editions of the Martindale-Hubbell® **Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers™**.

Rated by Martindale-Hubbell® with an **AV Preeminent® Rating** from 2009 until 2019.

Rated by American Lawyer Media and Martindale-Hubbell™ as **a 2013 Top Rated Lawyer in Energy, Environmental, & Natural Resources.**

Rated by Marquis Who's Who in **2019 with Lifetime Achievement Award.**

PUBLICATIONS:

ESSENTIALS OF TEXAS WATER RESOURCES: Founding and managing editor of treatise on water resources and law authored by pre-eminent legal and technical experts, sponsored by the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section of the State Bar of Texas, and published by TexasBarBooks. Sixth edition to be released in February 2020.

THOMSON REUTERS TEXAS PRACTICE SERIES, ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, formerly published by West Publishing Company: Founding co-editor of treatise on Texas environmental law authored by members of the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, State Bar of Texas, from 1997 through 2018.

SPEAKER, AUTHOR, AND MODERATOR for various seminars (only includes those since 2014):

EarthX Legal Symposium 2019, "Water, Water Everywhere . . . ," speaker and panelist.

"Groundwater 101," presented most recently at the 2014 State Bar of Texas seminar: "The Changing Face of Water Rights."

"Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District," presented to the Texas Association of Groundwater Districts, October 2014.

"The Promise of Desalination in Texas," speaker and moderator for the State Texas Bar of Texas January 2014 Webcast.

"Water Law: Legislative Update" published in the *Texas Bar Journal*, September 2013, 2015, and scheduled for 2019.

For information about earlier presentations and papers, please contact me.

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