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### Robert S. Davis – Senior Partner at Flowers Davis PLLC

#### Leadership and Legal Expertise

Robert S. Davis is a Senior Partner at Flowers Davis PLLC, where he oversees multiple practice areas, including:

- Business and Commercial Litigation
- Insurance Defense
- Defense of Governmental Entities
- Employment Law
- Medical Liability

With extensive experience representing governmental entities and government officials, Robert has successfully managed a wide range of litigation matters, including first-party and third-party insurance claims, as well as medical malpractice cases for both private practitioners and county health authorities.

#### A Distinguished Career

Since co-founding Flowers Davis in 1994, Robert has personally tried more than 100 cases to verdict in state and federal courts. Additionally, he has served as lead counsel in 198 appellate cases before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and has handled several state court appellate cases.

Before founding Flowers Davis, Robert began his legal career in 1988 as a Briefing Attorney for the Honorable Justice Sue LaGarde at the 5th Judicial District Court of Appeals in Dallas, Texas. He later served as a Law Clerk to United States District Judge William M. Steger from 1989 to 1991.

#### Notable Contributions

During law school, Robert worked as the assistant legislative liaison for Dallas District Attorney Henry Wade and his successor, John Vance. He authored a paper on recidivism and the need for increased prison capacity, which was published by the Texas Governor's Office and featured by major news media outlets in Texas.

Over the years, Robert has been a key contributor to numerous educational and professional groups. He has written and presented more than 40 papers on various topics, including civil rights, medical malpractice, and employment law. His presentations have been made to organizations such as:

- State Bar of Texas
- Texas Sheriff's Association
- Texas Association of Counties
- Texas Jail Association
- Jail Management Institute of Sam Houston State University
- Texas Chief Deputies' Association

Practice Areas: Business & Commercial Litigation, Defense of Governmental Entities, Employment Law, Insurance Defense, Medical Liability

### Education

Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Juris Doctorate, 1988  
Trinity University, Bachelor of Science, History, 1985

### Bar Admissions

State Bar of Texas, 1988

### Court Admissions

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas (1990)  
United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (1991)  
United States District Court for the Western District of Texas (1991)  
United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1995)  
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas (2006)  
United States Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit (1991)  
Supreme Court of the United States (1998)

### Honors & Awards

State Bar of Texas, Three-Time Recipient of the Pro Bono Award for helping indigent citizens

### Memberships

Smith County Bar Association, Director, 2005-2006 and State Bar Fellow, 2006  
Gregg County Bar Association  
Harrison County Bar Association  
Eastern District of Texas Bar Association  
Fifth Circuit Bar Association  
The Bar Association for the United States Supreme Court  
Defense Research Institute  
Smith County Young Lawyers Association, Past President, 1994-1995  
Eastern District of Texas Historical Committee, Past Co-Chairman, 1996-1997

### Community Involvement

Texas Association of Counties, Regional Counsel  
East Texas Area Counsel of the Boy Scouts of America, General Counsel and Board Member, six years  
Robert is active in his church and several non-profit organizations

## Articles and Publications

"Liability Issues in Texas Jails," Jail Management Institute 2007, Sam Houston State University

"Federal Law Update," State Bar of Texas, 2007 Suing and Defending Governmental Entities

"Liability Issues in Law Enforcement," 2007 Chief Deputies Conference

"Liability Issues in Law Enforcement," Sheriff's Association of Texas 2006

"Civil vs. Criminal Liability for School District Employees," 2006 Texas Association of School Board's Risk Management Fund Members' Conference

"Bail Bond Handbook," Texas Association of Counties, 2007

"Jail School," Chief Deputies Conference, June 2005, 2006 and 2007, and Texas Jail Association Annual Conference, 2005, 2006 and 2007

"House Bill 4 The Newest Version of Tort Reform," State Bar of Texas; Suing & Defending Governmental Entities 2004

"Winning Writing: Summary Judgment Practice in Texas State Courts," State Bar of Texas, Suing & Defending Governmental Entities 2003

"Bail Bonds: Emerging Liability Issues," 1999 Regional Law Enforcement Workshop Series, February 1999

Co Author, "Jail Litigation: From Class Action Lawsuits to Pro Se Litigation," 1999 Fall Law Enforcement Regional Workshops Mitigating Liability in County Jails, November 1999

"Civil Rights Litigation Update," Texas Association of Counties, Northeast Texas Seminar, August 29, 1998

"Anatomy of a Law Enforcement Lawsuit," County Management Institute Seminar, April 8, 1998

"Jail Litigation: From Pro Se Lawsuits to Class Actions," State Bar of Texas Seminar Suing and Defending Governmental Entities, 1997

"Bail Bond Forfeitures," Northern and Eastern County Judges Association of Texas, 1997

"A Court Divided: The 5th Circuit Court of Appeals and the Politics of Judicial Reform," 52 TEX. B. J. 706 (1989)(book review)

"The Choice: Increased Prison Capacity or Increased Recidivism," published by the Governor's Office of the State of Texas, 1986

"Using Abstract Questions to Develop Critical Thinking Skills in Social Studies," Holt, Rinehart & Winston, Inc. 1984

"Selecting a United States President in 1984," McGraw Hill Book Company, 1984.