



Ann E. Keele

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Ann Keele joined Hall Estill in 2023 after leaving the bench where she served as Special Judge for the Fourteenth Judicial District for the State of Oklahoma from 2019-2023. During her time as a Special Judge, Ann presided over the Victim Protective Order, Misdemeanor and Emergency Guardianship dockets in Tulsa and Pawnee Counties.

Now back in private practice, Ann practices in the family law area where she assists clients with divorce, legal separation, paternity and adoption matters, as well as guardianships of adults and children, and victim protective orders. She has experience in criminal defense work in both misdemeanor and felony charges. Ann is a certified domestic violence and family law mediator, and also serves as a Guardian ad Litem in family cases. Further, Ann is Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.

Practices

- Family Law
- Divorce & Legal Separation
- Family Law Mediation
- Guardian ad Litem
- Paternity
- Protective Orders

Education

- University of Tulsa College of Law (J.D., 2006)

- Certificate in International and Comparative Law
- Member, Phi Delta Phi
- University of Texas at Brownsville (B.B.A. in General Business, *magna cum laude*, 2003)
- University of Texas at Brownsville (A.A. in Business Administration, *magna cum laude*, 2002)

Admissions

- Oklahoma

Experience

- 2023-Present Hall Estill
- 2019-2023 Special Judge for the Fourteenth District Court for the State of Oklahoma
- 2014-2019 Monroe & Keele, P.C.
- 2007-2014 Stanley D. Monroe & Associates
- 2006-2007 Woodward, Woodward & Associates, P.C.

Honors & Awards

- Fellow, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers
- Named a Best Lawyer in Tulsa in Family Law and Family Law Mediation
- Named the 2022 Judge of the Year by the Oklahoma Bar Association Family Law Section
- Named the 2017 Attorney of the Year by the Oklahoma Bar Association Family Law Section
- Recognized as an AV preeminent attorney by Martindale-Hubbell
- Recognized as an Oklahoma Super Lawyer Rising Star from 2013 through 2016
- Recognized as an Oklahoma Super Lawyer in 2019
- Named to the 2015 "10 Best list for Client Satisfaction" by the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys
- CORE Team Member of the Month, World Outreach Church in Tulsa, September 2022
- 2023 recipient of the Neil E. Bogan Award by the Tulsa County Bar Association. The award is presented to a TCBA member who exemplifies the high ideals of the profession, someone who serves the public and clients ethically, diligently and competently. The characteristics of a true professional are exemplified by scholarship, honor, personal integrity, leadership, independence, pride in our system of justice and generous pro bono public service.
- Recognized as a 2023 Broken Arrow High School Great Graduate by the Broken Arrow High School Alumni Association.

Community & Professional Involvement

- Panelist, The Oklahoma Arbitration Center
- National Conference of Bar Presidents, Treasurer, 2025-2026; Secretary, 2024-2025

- National Conference of Bar Presidents, Chair, Governance Committee, 2024 to Present; Vice Chair Communications Committee, 2019-2022; Member, Metro Bar Caucus Committee, 2018-2019; Member, Program Committee, 2018 to Present; Member, Membership Committee, 2019-2024
- President, University of Tulsa College of Law Alumni Board, 2024-2025; Member, 2018 to present; Vice President, 2022-2023
- Member, Tulsa County Bar Foundation, President, 2021-2023
- Member, Tulsa County Bar Association, President, 2018-2019; President-Elect, 2017-2018; Vice President, 2016-2017; Secretary, 2015-2016
- Tulsa County Bar Association, Chair, Children & Law Committee, 2015-2017; Co-Chair of same, 2014-2015
- Oklahoma Bar Association, Chair, Law Schools Committee, 2018; Vice-Chair of same, 2016 and 2017; Member, 2010-2017
- Oklahoma Bar Association, Co-Chair, Women in Law Committee, 2016
- Oklahoma Bar Association, Professionalism Committee Member, 2008-2017
- Member, Oklahoma Bar Association Leadership Academy, 2009-2010
- Fellow, Oklahoma Bar Foundation
- Member, Executive Council for the National Conference of Bar Presidents, 2019-2022
- Member, Steering Committee, Boy Scouts of America, 2016-2018
- Member, Susan G. Komen Executive Council for Oklahoma, 2023

Articles & Presentations

- Has taught numerous CLE classes on topics including family law, work/life balance, and ethics/professionalism
- Has published numerous articles for the Oklahoma Bar Association Journal and Tulsa Lawyer magazine
- Certified Domestic Violence Training
- Participant, Foundations Summit: Building the Bridge from Law School to Practice, University of Louisville (Kentucky), January 31, 2024