

## **Monica A. Benson, J.D., CELA\***

Monica A. Benson is a Certified Elder Law Attorney\* practicing exclusively in the area of Elder Law since 2005. She is a graduate of Texas A&M University and Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (now known as Texas A&M University School of Law.) Monica is a Partner with Katten & Benson in Fort Worth. She has taught at Texas A&M University School of Law since 2013 as an adjunct professor, teaching both Elder Law and the Wills and Estates Clinic, which provides estate planning documents to low income seniors in Tarrant County. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Texas Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, and as Chancellor for the Trinity Episcopal Church Foundation in Fort Worth.

Monica has formerly served on the Board of Directors of the Tarrant County Probate Bar Association in a variety of roles, including President, from 2008-2015. She was named as a Texas Monthly Super Lawyer Rising Star in the field of Elder Law for 2010 and 2014-2017, a designation awarded to no more than 2.5% of eligible attorneys. (Super Lawyers is a Thompson Reuters service.) Monica was honored as the Guardianship Services 2010 Ad Litem Attorney of the Year, and named as a Top Attorney in the field of Elder Law by Fort Worth, Texas Magazine in 2010 through 2017.

Monica is a frequent speaker in Fort Worth and surrounding communities, including the annual Alzheimer's Association Symposium for the North Central Texas Chapter, the Let Someone Know Event, training sessions for volunteers with Guardianship Services, and various church, community and corporate groups. Monica is a Fort Worth native and a fifth generation Texan. When not at the office, Monica spends her time refereeing between her dogs, Milo and Gracie, is an occasional yogi, and runs long distances very, very slowly.

\*As certified by the National Elder Law Foundation, and recognized by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.