

Dick Alcalá

Senior District Judge-Arbitrator-Mediator

7826 Enchanted Ridge Dr.
El Paso, Texas

Education: University of Houston Law School, Houston, Texas
Law Degree, 1978

University of Texas, Austin, Texas
B.A. Government, 1975

Licensure: State Bar of Texas, 1978

Professional Experience:

Senior District Judge - January 1, 2001-present. Preside by assignment over civil cases involving real estate, commercial, medical malpractice, personal injury, banking, contract, employment, consumer, DTPA, products liability, real estate, governmental, family law and criminal law.

Mediator – January 1, 2001 – present. Mediation of disputes involving complex litigation, real estate, commercial, business torts, consumer, DTPA, zoning, employment, workers compensation, personal injury, premises liability, family and civil rights (excessive force claims).

Arbitrator - January 1, 2001 - present. Arbitration of personal injury suits in non-subscriber scenario, medical provider-health plan disputes.

District Judge, 340th Judicial District of Texas, San Angelo, Texas - January 1, 1989 – December 31, 2000 - presided over civil cases involving commercial, legal and medical malpractice, personal injury, banking, contract, employment, consumer, DTPA, products liability, premises liability, real estate, governmental, family law and criminal law.

Professional Affiliations and Court Admissions:

State Bar of Texas - Judicial, Computer & Technology and Alternative Dispute Resolution Sections

Bexar County Bar Association, 2008-2019, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Litigation and Construction Law Section

Board of Directors, Texas Center for the Judiciary- 2007-2011

El Paso County Bar Association, 2002-2008, 2018-present

El Paso County Bar Association, Board Member 2004-2007; Board Secretary 2006

Tom Green County Bar Association 1979-2000

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas
U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit
Association of Attorney Mediators, Bexar County Chapter 2009-2018
Chair, ADR Committee, El Paso Bar Association 2004-05

Presentations:

"Practicing Before a Visiting Judge" Bexar County Family Bar Assn
February 18, 2014

"Life Care Planner as Expert Witness: Pre-Trial and Trial Aspects,
American Academy of Physician Life Care
Planners, Annual Assembly, San Antonio, April 12, 2018

Notable Skill Set: Ability and experience in conducting arbitration and mediation proceedings through remote platforms.