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## BACKGROUND, EDUCATION AND PRACTICE

Molly Dear Abshire received a J.D. from South Texas College of Law and her B.A. in English from Texas A&M University in 1989. She has been licensed to practice law in the State of Texas since 1993. She is Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Estate Planning and Probate Law and is a Certified Elder Law Attorney, accredited by the National Elder Law Foundation.

Ms. Abshire has authored professional papers and Houston Chronicle articles, which typically focus on topics such as Estate Planning, Medicaid Planning, Elder Law and Special Needs Trusts.

She is a former President of the Texas Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. She has been elected as a Texas Super Lawyer for Estate Planning every year since 2007. *Texas' Best Lawyers* named Ms. Abshire *Lawyer of the Year in Elder Law* for the Houston area in 2012, 2016, 2018. She is Top-Listed in Elder Law, Trusts and Estates in Texas and the Houston Area by Best Lawyers. She is a Fellow of The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, an invitation only organization of 2,700 attorneys nationwide. She is a founding member of the Texas Probate Law American Inn of Court as a Master of the Bench.

She co-authors a column in the Houston Chronicle called Senior Living and is a regular speaker on elder law topics. She also co-authored *Save My Home! Saving Your Home, Farm or Ranch from Medicaid Estate Recovery in Texas*, a book on Medicaid estate recovery and West's *Texas Elder Law*, Volume 51, *Texas Practice Series*.