Board Certification in Civil Appellate Law

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Qualifications include:
- Practice law full time for at least 5 years as an active member of the State Bar of Texas;
- At least 3 years of Civil Appellate Law experience, with a yearly minimum of 25% substantial involvement in procedure and substantive law as related to appellate proceedings;
- Handled at least 12 Civil Appellate cases that meet substantive requirements;
- Qualified vetted references from judges and lawyers in the area;
- Complete 60 hours of TBLS approved continuing legal education in Civil Appellate Law;
- Meet all of the TBLS Standards for Attorney Certification; and
- Pass a comprehensive 6-hour examination in Civil Appellate Law.

Board Certification in Criminate Appellate Law

https://www.tbls.org/specialtyarea/CA

Qualifications include:
- Practice law full time for at least 5 years as an active member of the State Bar of Texas;
- At least 3 years of Criminal Appellate Law experience with a yearly minimum 25% substantial involvement with Criminal Appellate Law matters;
- Performed substantial work in drafting the pleadings or brief for a party in a minimum of 50 Criminal Appellate cases with a minimum of 5 oral arguments at a Court of Appeals, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, a United States Circuit Court of Appeals, or the United States Supreme Court during their entire practice;
- Qualified vetted references from judges and lawyers in the area;
- Complete 60 hours of TBLS approved continuing legal education in Criminal Appellate Law;
- Meet all of the TBLS Standards for Attorney Certification; and
- Pass a comprehensive 6-hour examination in Criminal Appellate Law.

Board Certification in Civil Trial Law (District and County Courts)

https://www.tbls.org/specialtyarea/CT

Qualifications include:
- Practice law full time for at least 5 years as an active member of the State Bar of Texas;
- At least 3 years of Civil Trial Law experience with a yearly minimum 35% substantial involvement in Civil Trial Law matters;
- Tried at least 20 civil trials that meet substantive requirements;
- Qualified vetted references from judges and lawyers in the area;
- Complete 60 hours of TBLS approved continuing legal education in Civil Trial Law;
- Meet all of the TBLS Standards for Attorney Certification; and
- Pass a comprehensive 6-hour examination in Civil Trial Law.