

C. FRANK HOLTHAUS

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For more than 35 years, Frank Holthaus has served the Federal Judiciary system as attorney for the plaintiff and defendant in both civil and criminal cases. His experience in this arena is unmatched by any other attorney in Louisiana and his integrity, objectivity, professionalism and intelligence are unquestioned by those who know him. His undergraduate studies focused on Mechanical Engineering and Mathematics at both LSU and the University of Texas. Having served more than a year in the United States Merchant Marine, he entered LSU Law School where he served as research assistant to Professor George Pugh in his writings on the law of evidence (Louisiana Evidence Law) and federal jurisdiction. He graduated in 1975 and served as law clerk to Associate Justice John A. Dixon, Jr. of the Louisiana Supreme Court, ultimately establishing his law practice in Baton Rouge a year later. Frank taught Business Law at the LSU Center for Engineering and Business from 1980 to 1985. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at the LSU Law School. As a long-time Republican Party member, Frank served as Leader of the E.B.R. Republican Party Ballot Security team during the elections of Ronald Reagan for President, Henson Moore for United States Senate and Richard Baker for Congress. Governor Dave Treen appointed Frank as the Hearing Officer for the Environmental Control Commission in an effort to enforce environmental emissions standards at a pivotal time in our state's history.



LITIGATION EXPERIENCE

For over forty years Frank has practiced in almost every field of litigation. In criminal practice he has represented individuals, commercial businesses and industrial corporations in a wide array of investigations, indictments, trials, and appeals. In his civil practice, Frank has represented both plaintiffs and defendants. Frank has the rare distinction of representing both plaintiffs and defendants in complex class action litigation in various federal courts.

Criminal Trial Law

As one of only four lawyers in the state of Louisiana to be certified in criminal trial law by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, Frank has achieved verdicts of not guilty and the immediate release of his client in numerous federal prosecutions. His litigation experience includes those involving violations of Racketeering Influenced Corrupt Organization Act (RICO); Continuing Criminal Enterprise Act (CCE); Labor Racketeering Act; Hobbs Act; Industrial Espionage; Theft of Trade Secret; Federal Jury Tampering; Anti-Trust; Foreign Corrupt Practices Act; Capital Murder; Bank Fraud, Federal Land Bank Loan Fraud; Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property; Federally Funded Contract Fraud; Federal Jury Tampering; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) violations; Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (Superfund - CERCLA) violations; Federal Bribery Statute; Medicare & Medicaid Fraud; ERISA Fraud, Deprivation of Civil Rights by Murder; and Brokerage House Fraud.

Civil Practice & Trial Law

In his civil practice, Frank has successfully represented numerous plaintiffs and has achieved multiple six and seven figure recoveries. He has served as plaintiff counsel in class actions in both federal and state courts. Frank also represents defendants in civil cases. This includes defending energy, industrial, and commercial clients in matters such as construction contracts and fraud disputes, class action defense, Anti-Trust claims, air and water environmental discharges, maritime disputes, collisions and allisions, Carriage of Goods by Sea Act (COGSA & Jones Act); Public Service Commission disputes; and Federal Government Contract disputes.

Legal Public Service & Leadership

As chairman of the Louisiana Public Defender Board, Frank oversees a Thirty-Three million (\$33,000,000) budget of public funds dedicated to providing indigent services to every Parish in Louisiana. As a Charter Board Member, Frank was instrumental in the formation of The Ecumenical House with the Interfaith Council of Churches and Synagogues to create a Federal Half-Way House for returning Federal prisoners to civil life for the Middle District of Louisiana.

EDUCATION AND HONORS

L.S.U. Law School, J.D., 1975 - Moot Court Board

University of Texas, Mathematics, 1970;

L.S.U. Mechanical Engineering, 1967-1969; Phi Eta Sigma Honorary Scholastic Fraternity, 1968

Peer Review Rated AV Preeminent for over 30 years

Super Lawyer, 2006-Present. Top 50 Lawyers in Louisiana, 2014-Present;

America's Top 100 Lawyers, Lifetime Achievement

COURTS ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

United States Supreme Court

United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals

United States Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

United States District Court Middle District of Louisiana

United States District Court Eastern District of Louisiana

United States District Court Western District of Louisiana

United States District Court Southern District of Missouri

All Louisiana State Courts

MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Member, Louisiana State Bar Association, 1975-Present

Faculty, Adjunct Professor of Law, Louisiana State University Law School, 2006-Present

Faculty, Apprenticeship School, Louisiana State University Law School, 2015-Present

Faculty, Trial Advocacy for Seniors, Louisiana State University Law School 2005-Present

Board Certified Member, National Board of Trial Advocacy, Criminal Trial Law, 2000-Present

President, Baton Rouge Bar Association, 1996

Chairman, Louisiana Public Defender Board, Appointed by Governor, December, 2016-Present

Member, Louisiana Public Defender Board, Appointed by Senate President, 2009-Present Chairman,

CJA Selection Panel, Middle District of Louisiana, 1998-Present

Member, Louisiana Law Institute Criminal Procedure Committee, 2009-Present

Assistant Louisiana State Bar Examiner, 2000-Present

Member, Pugh Institute for Justice Advisory Committee, 1998-Present

Member, Ethics Advisory Service Subcommittee, LA State Bar Association, 2014-Present

Member, House of Delegates, Louisiana State Bar Association, 1990-Present
Member, Legislation Committee, Louisiana State Bar Association, 2010-Present
Member, Judicial Liaison Committee, Louisiana State Bar Association, 2005-2006
Chairman, Federal Court Liaison Committee, Baton Rouge Bar Association, 1999
Chairman, Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Committee No. 27, 2000-2006
Member, Local Criminal Rules Revision Committee, Middle District of Louisiana, 1999
Member, Board of Directors, Baton Rouge Bar Association, 1988-1997
Member, U.S. Magistrate Selection Committee, Middle District of Louisiana, 1996
Charter Member, Mayor's Anti-Drug Task Force, East Baton Rouge Parish, 1989
Chairman, Local Rules Revision Committee, 19th Judicial District Court, 1985-1987
Chairman, Criminal Law Section, Louisiana State Bar Association, 1982
Member, Standing Committee on Grand Juries, American Bar Association, 1985-1992
White Collar Crime Committee, American Bar Association, 1992-1996
Chairman, Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, Criminal Law Section, 2007
Charter Member, Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 1985
President, Baton Rouge Lawyers for Criminal Justice, 1983
Member, Supreme Court of Louisiana Committee on Standards on Juror Use and Management

SERVICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

United States Merchant Marine, 1971-1972
Rotary Club of Baton Rouge
Coach, CYO Youth Basketball
Coach, St. Aloysius Youth Basketball
Coach, YMCA Youth Basketball
Catholic High School Men's Club
St. Aloysius Catholic Church Men's Club

PERSONAL

Born July 2, 1949 in New Orleans, Louisiana
Parents, Clarence Frank Holthaus and Colleen Goliwas Holthaus
Married to Tracy Sabina Sudduth
Two children, 1st Lieutenant USMC Adam Holthaus and college student Sydney Holthaus