

Mr. Todd Jermstad

Education/Training:

- Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Baylor University
- Juris Doctorate degree from the Baylor University School of Law

Career:

- Served as a child support attorney for the Texas Department of Human Services
- Served as an assistant district attorney for Brazos County, Texas
- Served as the First Assistant District Attorney for Brazos County, Texas
- Served as General Counsel to the Texas Adult Probation Commission
- Served as an assistant general counsel for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice
- Served as the staff attorney for the Bell/Lampasas Counties Community Supervision and Corrections Department
- Served as the Director for the Bell/Lampasas Counties Community Supervision and Corrections Department since March 2009.
- Retired - Bell/Lampasas Counties Community Supervision and Corrections Department on July 31, 2019.

Positions:

- Secretary - Brazos County Criminal Law Ad Hoc Study Committee in January, 1984
- Chair - Brazos County Bail Bond Board from January, 1986 until December, 1987
- Member - Brazos County Financial Advisory Committee from August, 1987 until December, 1987
- Chair - Ethics Advisory Committee in 1992 to draft a new Code of Ethics for community supervision and corrections department in the State
- Member of the Adult Legislative Committee for the Texas Probation Association from 1999 - 2015
- Counsel to the Probation Advisory Committee to the Judicial Advisory Council from 2000 - 2017
- Member to the Advisory Council for the Center of Project Spotlight under the auspices of the Office of the Governor and Sam Houston State University - 2000
- Member of the Governing Board for the Texas Regional Center for Policing Innovation at Sam Houston State University - May 2006
- Member of the Board of the Texas Criminal Justice Coalition - from October 2010 to February 9, 2012.
- Member of the University of Mary Hardin Baylor Graduate Counseling and Psychology Program Advisor Committee - September 2012 to present.
- Member of the Bell County Child Fatality Review Board - 2013
- Member, Advisory Board - Texas Motivational Interviewing Cooperative - 2013
- Member, 2013 and 2015 Victim Impact Statement Revision Committee, Victim Services Division - Texas Department of Criminal Justice

Awards:

- Star Award: Texas Corrections Association
- Texas Probation Association and Sam Houston State University Award for writing in the field of community corrections - 1997
- Texas Corrections Association and Sam Houston State University Award for writing in the field of community corrections - 2001
- Texas Probation Association's President's Award - 2003
- Texas Corrections Association's Clarence N. Stevenson Memorial Award for significant contributions to corrections - 2005
- Texas Probation Association and Sam Houston State University Award for writing in the field of community corrections - 2008
- Texas Corrections Association's Dr. George J. Beto Hall of Honor - June 2102
- National Association of Probation Executive's Outstanding Probation Executive for 2013

Memberships:

- State Bar of Texas
- Texas Probation Association
- National Association of Probation Executives
- Texas Corrections Association
- National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice
- American Probation and Parole Association

Publications:

Articles

- "Confidentiality Rights of Probationers with AIDS." Published in Texas Probation, October, 1990.
- "Religious Freedom in Correctional Facilities." Published in Texas Probation, Volume XII, No. 4, October 1997.
- "Religious Liberty in Correctional Institutions: One Year after the City of Boerne v. Flores." Published in Executive Exchange, Fall 1998.
- "Legal Notes." Published in Texas Probation Volume XIV, No. 2, April 1999.
- "Legal Notes." Published in Texas Probation Volume XV, No. 2, April 2000.
- "Changes in Sex Offender Laws (Part 1)." Published in Texas Journal of Corrections Volume 26, No. 2, May 2000.
- "Changes in Sex Offender Laws (Part 2)." Published in Texas Journal of Corrections Volume 26, No. 3, August 2000.
- "Legal Notes." Published in Texas Probation Volume XVII, No. 1, January 2001.

- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XVII, No. 2, April 2001.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XVI, No. 4, October 2001.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XVII, No. 2, April 2002.
- “United States v. Knights: Its Impact in Texas.” Published in Project Spotlight: News in Brief Volume w, No. 1, Winter 2002.
- “Constitutionality of Probation and Parole Conditions” with Dr. Rolando del Carmen. Published in Perspectives: The Journal of the American Probation and Parole Association. Volume 26, No. 2, Spring 2002.
- “United States v. Knights and the Diminishing Liberty Interests of Probationers” Published in Executive Exchange, Spring 2002.
- Reprinted in Texas Journal of Corrections Volume 28, No. 2, May 2000.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XVII, No. 4, October 2002.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XVIII, No. 3, July 2003.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XIX, No. 1, January 2004.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XIX, No. 4, October 2004.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XX, No. 3, July 2005.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXI, No. 2, April 2006.
- “Uneven Bars: Separate Standards for Conducting Searches on Probationers and Parolees.” Published in Texas Journal of Corrections Third Quarter 2006, p. 8.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXII, No. 1. January 2007.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXII, No. 4. October 2007.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXIII, No. 1, January 2008.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXIII, No. 4, October 2008.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXIV, No. 2, April 2009.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXIV, No. 3, July 2010.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXV, No. 1, January 2011.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXV, No. 4, October 2011.

- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXVI, No. 3, July 2012.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXVII, No. 1, January 2013.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXVII, No. 4, October 2013.
- “Serving Veterans on Community Supervision in Bell County,” published in In Chambers. Official Publication of the Center for the Texas Judiciary.
- Summer 2014. Also published in Executive Exchange, a publication of the National Association of Probation Executives, Fall 2014.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXX, No. 1, January 2015.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXX, No. 3, Fall 2015.
- “Legal Notes.” Published in Texas Probation Volume XXXII, No. 1, Winter 2017.
- “Probation Partnership in Poland and North America: An International Exchange.” Dan Richard Beto, Wayne Dickey, Donald G. Evans, Todd Jermstad and Jerry Minard. Published in Executive Exchange Fall 2017.
- “Incorporating into Probation Emerging Practices in Mental Health Treatment.” Published in Executive Exchange Fall 2017.
- “A History of Court-Imposed Probation Fees in Texas” Published in Federal Probation June 2019. Re-printed and updated in the Journal of Community Corrections, “Inherently Unstable: The History and Future of Reliance on Court-Imposed Fees in the State of Texas,” by Todd Jermstad. Vol. XXIX, No. 3, Spring 2020.

Book Reviews

- The Dilemmas of Corrections edited by Kenneth C. Haas and Geoffrey P. Alpert. Published in *Texas Probation* Volume VI, No. 4, Fall 1991.
- An Examination of Criminological Theories: Introduction and Evaluation by Ronald L. Akers. Published in *Texas Probation*, Volume IX, No. 4, October 1994.
- A History of Capital Punishment in Texas - The Rope, the Chair, and the Needle: Capital Punishment in Texas, 1923-1990 by James W. Marquart, Sheldon Ekland-Olson, and Jonathan R. Sorensen. Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LVIII, No. 3, September 1994.
- Common Sense: Rest in Peace. The Death of Common Sense: How Law is Suffocating America by Philip K. Howard. Published in *Texas Probation* Volume X, No. 3, July 1995.
- Public Opinion and Criminal Justice. Americans View Crime and Justice: A National Public Opinion Survey edited by Timothy J. Flanagan and Dennis R. Longmire. Published in *Texas Probation* Volume XI, No. 4, October 1996.

- An Investigation of China's Prisons Troublemaker: One Man's Crusade Against China's Cruelty by Harry Wu with George Vecsey. Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LXI, No. 4, December 1997.
- The Misuse of Psychology Remembering Satan: A Tragic Case of Recovered Memory by Lawrence Wright. Published in *Texas Probation* Volume XIII, No. 4, October 1998.
- Two Philosophers Debate the Death Penalty. The Death Penalty: For and Against by Louis P. Pojman and Jeffrey Reiman. Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LXII, No. 2, December 1998.
- A Search for a Moral Sense in Humans. The Moral Sense by James Q. Wilson. Published in Texas Journal of Corrections Volume 25, No. 1, January-February 1999.
- America's Failed War on Drugs. The New War on Drugs: Symbolic Politics and Criminal Justice Policy by Eric L. Jensen and Jurg Gerber. Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LXIII, No. 1, June 1999.
- Back to the Future: Community Policing - Community Supervision. Fixing Broken Windows: Restoring Order and Reducing Crime in Our Communities by George L. Kelling and Catherine M. Coles and Transforming Probation Through Leadership: The "Broken Windows" Model by the Reinventing Probation Council. Published in *Texas Journal of Corrections* Volume 26, No. 4, November 2000 and republished in *Executive Exchange*, Fall 2000 and in *Texas Probation*, Volume XVI, No. 1, January 2001.
- "Dangerousness" in the United Kingdom. Police, Probation, and Protecting the Public by Mike Nash. Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LXIV, No. 2, December 2000.
- Prison Life: A Guard's Perspective. Newjack: Guarding Sing Sing. By Ted Conover. New York, New York: Vintage Books, 2001. 331 pp. \$14.00 paper. Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LXV, No. 3, December 2001.
- Literary Treason. The Collaborator: The Trial and Execution of Robert Brasillach by Alice Kaplan. Published in *Texas Probation* Volume XVII, No. 3, July 2002.
- An Austin Crime Novel. Dirty Sally by Michael Simon Published in *Texas Probation* Volume XX, No. 1 January 2005.
- Effective Interviewing Techniques – The Key to Quality Supervision Interviewing: Theories, Techniques, and Practices. (5th Edition). By Robert A. Shearer. Upper Saddle River, New Jersey: Pearson Prentice Hall, 2005. 347 pp. (paper), \$46.67 Published in *Federal Probation* Volume LXIX, No. 1, June 2005.
- The Abbe Gregoire and the French Revolution: The Making of Modern Universalism. By Alyssa Goldstein Sepinwall. Published in *Libraries and the Cultural Record*. University of Texas Press. Vol. 43, No. 1, 2008.

- Addiction: Why Can't They Just Stop? (1st Edition). Edited by John Hoffman and Susan Froemke. Text by David Sheff, Larkin Warren, Katherine Ketcham and Katherine Eban. New York, New York: Rodale Books, 2007. 256 pp. (hb), \$25.95.
- Gangsters on the Rock. Alcatraz - The Gangster Years. By David Ward with Gene Kassebaum. Published in *Executive Exchange*, Fall 2011. Also published in *Key Issues* (Texas Jail Association). In addition, published in *Federal Probation*, December 2011, Vol. 75, No. 3. The University of California Press, Berkeley, 2009, pp. 548, \$36.95 (hard cover). Also appeared in *Federal Probation*
- Lead Like Ike: Ten Business Strategies from the CEO of D-Day. By Geoff Loftus. Thomas Nelson Publishers: Nashville, TN. 304 pp. (Hb). \$24.99. Published in *Texas Corrections*. 2nd Quarter 2012.
- Understanding Poverty and Crime. Out of Poverty: Strategies for Professionals and Communities (Revised Edition). By Ruby K. Payne, Philip E. DeVol, and Terie Dreussi Smith. aha! Process, Inc.: Highlands, TX. 293 pp. (Pb). \$25.00. What Every Church Member Should Know about Poverty. By Bill Ehlig and Ruby K. Payne. aha! Process, Inc.: Highlands, TX. 136 pp. (Pb). \$25.00. A Framework for Understanding Poverty. By Ruby K. Payne. aha! Process, Inc.: Highlands, TX. 199 pp. (Pb). \$25.00. Published in *Executive Exchange*. Fall 2012.
- A Resource for Understanding the Transition from Military to Civilian Life. Once a Warrior - Always a Warrior: Navigating the Transition from Combat to Home - Including Combat Stress, PTSD, and mTBI. By Charles W. Hoge, M. D., Colonel, United States Army (ret.). Globe Pequot Press: Guilford, Connecticut. 328 pp. (Pb). \$18.95. Published in *Executive Exchange*. Fall 2012.
- A First-Rate madness: Uncovering the Links between Leadership and Mental Illness, by Nassir Ghaemi, Penguin Books, New York, 2011, pp. 352, \$16.00 (Paperback). Published in *Executive Exchange*, Spring 2014.
- Race Matters: Ignoring the Single Largest Factor in Prison Expansion. On the Run: Fugitive Life in an American City by Alice Goffman, Chicago and London: University of Chicago Press, 2014. 288 pp. \$25.00 (hardback), \$17.75 at Amazon.com
- The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness, by Michelle Alexander. New York: New Press, 2011. 336 pp. \$19.95 (paperback), \$12.80 at Amazon.com
Punishing Race: A Continuing American Dilemma, by Michael Tonry. Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2011. 224 pp. \$20.95 (paperback), \$14.37 at Amazon.com. Published in *Executive Exchange*, Winter 2015.
- A Pound of Flesh: Monetary Sanctions as Punishment for the Poor. By Alexis Harris. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2016, 236 pp. \$29.95 (paperback). Published in *Federal Probation* December 2016.
- A New Model for Understanding the History of Criminal Justice Reforms in Our Country. Breaking the Pendulum: The Long Struggle Over Criminal Justice By Philip Goodman, Joshua Page, and Michelle Phelps. New York: Oxford University Press, 2017. 240 pp. \$24.95 (paperback). ISBN 978-0-19-997606-5. Published in *Federal Probation* December 2017,

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- “Arming Probation Officers in Texas.” Delivered at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Conference of the American Probation and Parole Association in New York City in August 1999.
- “The Elusive Meaning of ‘Due Diligence’ in Revocation Proceedings.” Delivered at the Second Annual Absconder Conference at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas in May 2000.
- “Legal Issues involving Project Spotlight.” November, 2002. Published by Center for Project Spotlight. George J. Beto Criminal Justice Center, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.
- “Reinventing Probation in an Era of Diminishing Resources.” April 2003. Published by Center for Project Spotlight. George J. Beto Criminal Justice Center, Same Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas. Reprinted in Texas Journal of Corrections Volume 29, No. 2, May 2003.
- “Punishment Alternatives.” Delivered at the 39th Advanced Criminal Law Course on July 23, 2013 in Dallas, Texas.

Books

- Civil Liabilities and Other Legal Issues for Probation/Parole Officers and Supervisors by Dr. Rolando del Carmen, Beth Barnhill, Gene Bonham, Lance Hignite, and Todd Jermstad. Published by the National Institute of Corrections, United States Department of Justice. 2001. 215 pp.
- Civil Liabilities and Other Legal Issues for Probation/Parole Officers and Supervisors. 4th Ed. by Dr. Phillip Lyons and Todd Jermstad. Published by the National Institute of Corrections, United States Department of Justice. 2013. 306 pp.