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## Laura Goodson

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Laura Goodson is an attorney and has been Board Certified in Labor and Employment Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 2012. Prior to joining a practice with Tom Nesbitt in 2014, Laura spent 10 years with the Labor Section of the Houston office of Gardere, Wynne, Sewell, now Foley Lardner.

Laura's counseling practice focuses on working with employers to minimize the risk of litigation and reduce liability. She works closely with in-house attorneys, HR departments and operations management giving advice on day-to-day employment matters.

Laura also represents executives in negotiating employment terms both upon entering and exiting employment. She has particular expertise drafting and reviewing non-compete, non-solicitation and non-disclosure agreements, and helping clients understand and strategize within post-employment restrictions.

### **EDUCATION**

- J.D., The University of Texas School of Law, with honors (2004) Recipient, Texas Law Fellowships
- M.A., Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada (2000) American & British Imperial History
- B.A., Southwestern University (1999)

History
Dean's List
Recipient, Mood Merit Scholarship
President, Zeta Tau Alpha, Lambda Chapter

### PROFESSIONAL HONORS

Super Lawyer, *Texas Monthly* magazine 2019-2024 Rising Star, *Texas Monthly* magazine 2013-2017

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

• State Bar of Texas

- Austin Bar Association
- Labor and Employment Section

   University of Texas School of Law Student Mentor Program

# **CIVIC INVOLVEMENT**

- Great Hill Country Club Board of Directors 2021-present
   President of Board 2023