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Prior to joining Infogroup, Ms. Knauf worked at intellectual property boutique firms in Dallas, where she handled matters pertaining to patent infringement, trademark applications, copyright infringement, and trade secret litigation. Ms. Knauf holds her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and her Juris Doctor from Marquette University.

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Joseph Jacobson concentrates his practice in the areas of technology and real estate.

In technology, he has represented clients in software contracting, Cloud computing contracting, Web site contracting, data base leasing and access, privacy policies and issues, and application development and distribution on social networks.

For the last 10 years he has reviewed, drafted, and commented upon technology legislation for the Business Law Section and the Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar, as well as the Business Law Foundation.

In real estate, his work has been primarily commercial representing both landlords and tenants for shopping center and office building lease negotiations. Additionally, he has represented developers and tenants in build-to-suit and sale and lease-back arrangements. His commercial work includes representing buyers and sellers of shopping center, industrial, and office properties.

He is formerly Chair of the Computer & Technology Section of the State Bar, and is currently Vice Chair of the Privacy, Data Breach, and E-commerce Committee, and Vice Chair of the Blockchain Ad Hoc Committee.

His other business activities include organizing and serving as Chair of a national bank, and an executive in an advertising business.

Shannon Warren is a registered patent attorney with offices in Houston and Amarillo. Mr. Warren's patent law practice specializes in the technological areas of computer science, oil and gas, mechanical and agricultural products. Shannon earned his B.S. in Computer Engineering from Texas A&M prior to attending South Texas College of Law. Shannon is the immediate past chair of the Computer and Technology Section. He also is also a Past President of the Houston Founder Lions Club.

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Al Harrison is a patent attorney practicing intellectual property law in Houston with the boutique firm of Harrison Law Office, P.C.; along with his wife Ronnie Harrison who specializes in family law. Al has served as an expert witness and special counsel, and as a consultant on computer & online access, HIPAA protocol, and State Bar advertising review compliance issues. He speaks frequently on issues pertaining to intellectual property, ethics and advertising compliance, and law practice management.

Prior to practicing law, he was an engineer featuring operations research and mathematical modeling, and was a computer analyst/system designer and programmer. He received a Bachelor of Engineering degree from City College of the City University of New York (cum laude; Tau Beta Pi); a Masters degree in Operations Research/Artificial Intelligence from New York University; and a J.D. from the University of Houston Law Center.

Al is a member of the Board of the Texas Bar College. He is also a councilmember and past chair of the Computer & Technology Section and a council of chairs member of the Business Law Section. He has been a councilmember of the GPSolos Section and presently serves on the State Bar Advertising Review Committee and Professionalism Committee. Al has previously served on the Web Services Committee and Law Practice Management Committee.

He serves on *The Houston Lawyer* Editorial Board of the Houston Bar Association and on the Book Publishing Board of the American Bar Association Solos, Small Firm & General Practice Division and also is serving as chair of each of the Division's Resource Center Committee and Intellectual Property Committee. In 2016, Al received a State Bar "Best Series" Award for a social media-related article, co-authored with John G. Browning, published in the "Law & Technology" issue of *The Houston Lawyer* magazine.