

Claude Ducloux, Esq.

Claude is in private practice in Austin and represents clients in a variety of areas including business formation, transactions, trials and appeals, and mediation and arbitration. He received his BA from the University of Texas and his JD from St. Mary's University. He is Board-certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Civil Trial Law (since 1984) and Civil Appellate Law (since 1987, the year the certification was established).

A significant part of Claude's practice involves writing, teaching, lecturing and representation of clients, including lawyers in the area of Legal Ethics and Professionalism. Claude served as Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Texas Center of Legal Ethics and Professionalism for two years. In 2018, the Supreme Court of Texas appointed Claude to a three-year term on the Supreme Court on Disciplinary Rules and Referenda.

Claude has authored, co-authored and appeared in more than 100 ethics articles and videos for lawyers on issues as diverse as office management, conflicts of interest, and grievance prosecution and defense. Of special note is his authorship of significant portions of the first interactive ethics presentation, "Ethics Jeopardy," based upon vignettes and audience participation in selecting appropriate resolutions.

Currently, Claude maintains his membership on many committees and sections of the Local and State Bar, and continues writing articles for various journals, newsletters and seminars, including his humor column "Entre Nous" ("Between us") for the Austin Bar Journal.