



## EMILIA D'MELLO, JD, CPA•ABV

- EDUCATION**
- Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting, Henderson State University, 2001 (*Summa Cum Laude*)
  - Juris Doctor, Texas A & M University School of Law (formerly Texas Wesleyan School of Law), December 2005 (*Magna Cum Laude*)
  - Texas Wesleyan Law Review, Staff Editor, 2004 – 2005
- PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
  - Attorney at Law
  - Accredited in Business Valuation (ABV)
- PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
  - Fort Worth Chapter of TSCPA
  - Financial Consulting Group, LC
  - Tarrant County Bar Association—Family Law
  - Dallas County Bar Association—Family Law
- BUSINESS EXPERIENCE**
- Whitley Penn, LLP (2003 – Present)
    - Forensic, Litigation & Valuation Services | Partner (2011 – Present)
      - Appraisal of closely held firms
      - Valuation of intangible assets
      - Economic and lost profit calculations
      - Corporate budgeting & forecasting
      - Fraud and Forensic accounting
      - Tracing and characterization of marital property assets
      - Consulting on other complex Family Law Matters
      - Deposition, Mediation, and Trial Preparation Strategies and Exhibits
  - Hix & Associates, CPAs, (2001 – 2002)
    - Public Accountant
      - Prepared various individual, corporate and partnership tax returns
      - Provided financial services, tax consulting, and worked on small contract audits
- RECENT CONTINUING EDUCATION**
- 2023 Advanced Family Law Conference
  - 2023 AIPCA Forensic & Valuation Services Conference
  - 2021 New Frontiers in Marital Property Law
  - BVR Training Passport-various webinars
- RECENT PUBLICATIONS / SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**
- New Frontiers in Marital Property Law (2021)
    - Panelist “*How to Obtain Discovery in Complex Divorce Matters*”
  - Rockwall County Bench Bar Conference (2016)
    - Speaker “*Forensic Accounting*”
  - Tax Institute (2013)
    - Speaker “*Tax Issues Upon the Dissolution of Marriage*”
  - The Annette Stewart American Inn of Court (2010)
    - Speaker “*The Standard of Value for Divorce Purposes*”
  - New Frontiers in Marital Property Law (2009)
    - Panelist “*Revamping Your Approach to Divorce Settlements*”
  - Advanced Family Law Course (2007)
    - Panelist “*Tracing, Economic Contribution, and Reimbursement*”
  - 12 TEX. WESLEYAN L. REV. 655 (2006)
    - Author “*Can the Economic Contribution Statute be Reconciled with the Inception of Title Doctrine?*”
- AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**
- All-American Honors Award, 2001
  - Stella Spoon Accounting Excellence Award, 2001
  - Judicial Scholarship Recipient, 2002–2005
  - *Beta Gamma Sigma* Honor Society Member