

Press Release

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Judge Beau Miller named Trial Judge of the Year by Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists

April 23, 2025 — The Honorable Judge Beau Miller, presiding judge of the 190th Harris County Civil District Court, has been selected for the 2024 Trial Judge of the Year Award by the Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists (TACTAS). This recognition is a testament to Judge Miller's dedication to judicial excellence and his commitment to ensuring fair, timely, and thoughtful resolution of complex civil matters.

"TACTAS is made up of board-certified attorneys who routinely appear before judges across the state; their recognition of Judge Miller speaks volumes." said Judge Daryl L. Moore, partner at AZA Law and prior award recipient. "Judge Miller is being honored because of his temperament, his work ethic, and his dedication to the legal profession. Judge Miller not only upholds the highest standards of civility in his courtroom—he maintains a forum where lawyers can practice effectively and ethically. He understands that civility isn't just a courtesy; it's essential to being an effective advocate."

First elected to the bench in 2019 and re-elected in 2023, Judge Miller has earned a reputation for his careful attention to legal detail, efficient docket management, and respectful treatment of all parties appearing before his court. Judge Miller is co-chair of the Houston Bar Association's LGBTQ+ Committee and the founder of the LIVE Consortium, a Houston-based nonprofit dedicated to educating Houstonians about the stigmas associated with HIV-AIDS.

Under his leadership, the 190th District Court, in concert with others, led the charge in establishing emergency judicial best practices during the COVID-19 global pandemic: holding the first virtual bench and in-person jury trials in Harris County, conducting half of the civil jury trials in Texas from June-September 2020, and implementing the public awareness campaign for revamped jury service protocols.

A graduate from the music program at Louisiana State University, Judge Miller holds a juris doctor degree from the University of Texas School of Law.

Judge Miller will accept the prestigious award at the TACTAS annual awards banquet on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, alongside fellow award recipient for Appellate Judge of the Year, Judge Nathan Hecht, retired Chief Justice, Texas Supreme Court.