Former District Judge Chris Oldner Joins Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson

Former state District Judge **Chris Oldner** has joined the Dallas and Frisco, Texas offices of the family law boutique **Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson, LLP**, as of counsel.

“Chris has a profound understanding of Family Law litigation that only comes from being on the bench for more than 16 years,” said firm Partner Keith Nelson. “Those insights will greatly enhance the work we are already doing on behalf of clients. We are excited to welcome him to the firm.”

Oldner was appointed in 2003 by then-Gov. Rick Perry to be the first judge of the newly created 416th District Court in Collin County, where he presided over both criminal and civil cases, including Family Law disputes. He served the 416th District for three full terms. He also served as the presiding judge of Collin County Court at Law 5 from 2000 to 2003.

“As I looked toward the next chapter of my career, I found I was drawn to Family Law, and specifically to this firm,” Oldner said. “I have always held a deep respect for the attorneys of Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson for their principled representation of their clients and their leadership among legal professionals.”

Oldner earned his law degree in 1993 from the Texas Tech University School of Law and is a 1989 graduate of Baylor University. He clerked for former state District Judge Alvin Khoury in Longview and worked as a prosecutor in the Smith County District Attorney’s Office before joining the Collin County District Attorney’s office as a chief felony prosecutor in 1995.

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