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## EDUCATION:

Texas Tech University School of Law; J.D., 1988

Southwestern University; B.A., 1985

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**David Backus'** practice is comprised chiefly of public school and regional education service center education law. Prior to assuming his duties with the Underwood Law Firm, Mr. Backus served as general counsel for the Region 17 Education Service Center in Lubbock, senior attorney for the Texas Association of School Boards' Legal Services Division in Austin, and staff counsel and lobbyist for the Texas Association of School Administrators in Austin. He is an officer on the Board of Directors of the Texas School Administrators Legal Digest. When he is not advising or defending school districts and education service centers, Mr. Backus is assisting families to finalize the legal portion of their adoption process. An adoptive father of four, he considers this a special part of his practice.

## AREAS OF PRACTICE

- > Public Education Law
- ► Construction Law
- ► Employment Law

## BAR/COURT ADMISSIONS

- > State Bar of Texas, 1988
- > U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
- > U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

## ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS

- > State Bar of Texas Counsel for School Law Attorneys, member
- > State Bar of Texas School Law Section, member
- > Texas Bar Foundation, Fellow
- > TEA Certified Provider of Continuing Education for school boards
- TEA Certified Provider of Continuing Professional Education for educators