

BIOGRAPHY OF JOHN SLOAN

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John Sloan is the founding partner of the law firm of Sloan, Hatcher, Perry, Runge, Robertson, Smith & Jones and has been based in the firm's Longview office since 1983. John is a trial lawyer and is admitted to the State Bar of Texas and the State Bar of New Mexico. He is also admitted to practice in numerous U. S. District Courts throughout Texas as well as Arkansas and Illinois. John is board certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is certified in Civil Trial Advocacy, Civil Pretrial Practice Law and Truck Accident Law by the National Board of Trial Advocacy.

John has deep roots in Texas, having spent his childhood and young adult years in the East Texas Pineywoods town of Henderson. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Baylor University in 1977 and graduated from the Baylor School of Law in 1980. After earning his J.D., he returned to East Texas, joining a firm in Henderson, where he immediately began trying cases, including a murder trial just five weeks after he received his law license.

Two-and-a-half years after he started work at the law firm, John decided that he wanted to focus on personal injury cases. He moved to Longview and opened his own practice. He has been trying cases in East Texas and courts across the country ever since.

His professional affiliations include American Board of Trial Advocates (Advocate); Texas Trial Lawyers Association; New Mexico Trial Lawyers Association; American Association for Justice; Texas Bar Foundation (Fellow); and Litigation Counsel of America (Fellow).

John's commitment to the trial lawyer profession has extended to the prestigious Trial Lawyers College. John attended the College in 1998 and joined the teaching staff in 2002. He was named to the Board of Directors in 2010 and as President in 2014.

John also engages in community service. For several years, he served on the Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity and currently serves on the Board of Directors of Longview Museum of Fine Arts. He has also worked with Justice for Children, which provides *pro bono* legal advocacy for criminally abused children.

In his personal time, John enjoys being active and has participated in numerous triathlons. His primary interest is his small farm outside Longview, where he grows trees and unwinds from his busy law practice. He is married to the former Dee Anne Allen from Tyler, Texas, and they have two children, Trey Sloan and Veronika Sloan. Son Trey is currently a second-year law student at South Texas College of Law. Daughter, Nika, is a junior at Longview High School.