



**Senior Judge Dan Mills
Legal/Technical Advisor**

Senior Judge Dan Mills was born in Austin, reared in Pflugerville and working on farms and doing carpenter work while attending school. He graduated from Pflugerville High School, attended the University of Texas at Austin where he received his undergraduate degree and then attended the University of Houston law school for 21 months. He was licensed to practice law before graduating from law school.

Judge Mill's legal experience began with the City of Austin Legal department where he worked for 2 ½ years. His next legal experience was working with the Prosecutor's Assistance section of the Texas Attorney General's office for 7 ½ years where he prosecuted felony cases in all parts of Texas. After that, Judge Mills worked for the United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas for 18 ½ years prosecuting cases in federal court in Austin, Waco, San Antonio, Midland, Pecos and El Paso. Much of his federal prosecutions related to white collar fraud including bank fraud, securities fraud, mail and wire fraud and public corruption.

In 2005 Judge Mills was appointed to be the first judge of the newly created 424th District court for Blanco, Burnet, Llano and San Saba counties. The court was a general jurisdiction court, but about 65 percent was criminal work, 25 percent family law matters, and the remaining 10 percent related to land disputes and various other civil matters such as medical malpractice and torts. He served for nine years and three months on the bench, retiring in December of 2014. Currently he is designated as a Senior Judge and will get appointments to hear cases wherever designated to serve by the Presiding Judge of the Third Administrative Region.

Judge Mills has been married to his wife Judy for 22 years. They have three daughters. One has graduated from college and has two children of her own. One is currently in Argentina studying Spanish and completing

her undergraduate degree and will likely go to graduate school. Their youngest daughter is attending Texas A&M and plans on becoming a doctor.

Judge Mills and his wife like to travel and hope to do more now that the children are no longer living at home. They also enjoy living on their 18 acres in a very rural area and enjoy the solitude it affords. Judge Mills' hobbies include cooking, in which he takes great pride in his BBQ and Peach cobbles.

"Please know I am looking forward to working with each and every one of you and will do my very best to assist you with any matters you encounter while serving as Sheriff in each of your respective counties. Please do not hesitate to call if I can assist you with any legal issues you may have. I look forward to working with you and assisting you in any matter I can."- Senior Judge Dan Mills