

THOMAS LLOYD QUALLS

ATTORNEY • AUTHOR • ADVOCATE

EMPLOYMENT

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Law Office of Thomas L. Qualls, Ltd.

Sept.2003–Present

Reno, Nevada

- State & Federal Appellate Practice; SCR 250 Qualified for Death Penalty Representation; Criminal Defense; Pardons Board; Juvenile Advocacy; Foreclosure Mediation; Non-Profit Structuring; Small Business Contracts & Transactions; Estate Planning.

- Member of United States Supreme Court Bar, as well as all State and Federal Courts in Nevada. Successfully Represented Death Penalty Client at U.S. Supreme Court. Successfully Represented Multiple Clients before the Nevada Pardons Board.

- Has successfully managed, supervised, and diversified a small, eponymous law firm for over 12 years, in an era when many other established lawyers and law firms have folded.

PUBLISHED AUTHOR

May 2009-Present

- *Waking Up at Rembrandt's*, a debut novel which has received local and national critical acclaim – and which earned Qualls the Best Novelist in Northern Nevada award for 2008, 2009, & 2010 – now in its second edition, ISBN 978-0-9846936-1-0.

- *love jaywalks*, a collection of poems, ISBN: 9780984693634.

- *Painted Oxen*, the author's second novel, currently in final editing phase, planned for release in 2016.

- *A Probability of Words*, a featured essay column for *Reno Tahoe Tonight Magazine*, written monthly since January of 2012.

- *Rebelle Society*, a regular contributor to this online forum since 2012.

LEGAL & TECHNICAL RESEARCH & WRITING
Self Employed

Feb 1995 -Present
Reno, Nevada

- More than 20 years of experience as an independent professional consultant and ghostwriter; providing legal and technical research and writing to a wide range of clientele.
- Successful Litigation in the Nevada Supreme Court, the U. S. District Court, District of Nevada, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court.
- Member of defense team in 16 Death Penalty cases in state and federal courts: pre-trial, trial, direct appeal, and post-conviction habeas corpus appeals. Professional Legal Consultant in at least 20 cases involving first-degree murder charges, either at trial or on appeal. Personally drafted over 120 appeals; attorney of record on more than 70 appeals.

COPYWRITER –
Moeller Ad Group

August 1993 - January 1995
Tulsa, Oklahoma

- Wrote extremely clever, informative & funny things; developed concepts with other artists; consistently facilitated runaway success for our clients.

EDUCATION

JURIS DOCTORATE

UNIVERSITY OF TULSA COLLEGE OF LAW
Certificate in Natural Resources,
Energy & Environmental Law
Specialized Study in International Environmental Law

December 1994
Tulsa, Oklahoma

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY
International Public Administration
& Russian/Soviet Studies

July 1990
Stillwater, Oklahoma

UNIQUE SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

- **Successfully Represented Client at United States Supreme Court: Death Sentence Reversed.** *State v. Harte*, 124 Nev. Adv. Rep. 82, 194 P.3d 1263 (2008), *cert denied*, 129 S. Ct. 2431 (2009).
- Other trial and post-conviction death penalty experience includes the following: Shawn Harte; David Middleton; Robert McConnell; Thomas Collman; Saosi Vanisi; Ricky Sechrest; Edward Thomas Wilson; Carlos Gutierrez; Duc Huynh; Frank Ibarra; Larry Peck; Avram Nika; and Terry Dennis.
- Director of Three Non-profit Organizations: Nevada EcoNet, Tour De Nez Outreach, and Nevada Sage Waldorf School.
- Member of Advisory Committee to Foreclosure Mediation Program 2011-12, appointed by Nevada Supreme Court.
- Able to interpret and apply knowledge in these fields of law: Criminal and Civil Appeals; Criminal Defense; Capital Litigation; Habeas Corpus Litigation; Administrative Law; Constitutional Law; Civil Rights Law; Small Business Transactions; Estates & Trusts; Foreclosure Mediation; Homeowner Rights; Energy & Natural Resources.
- Author of Two Novels; A Regularly Published Essayist & Columnist; Traveler of Europe, India & Thailand.