

# Janet Northrup

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## OF COUNSEL | HUGHES WATTERS ASKANASE LLP

*Mrs. Northrup has been admitted to the following practices and courts: State of Texas;  
Federal District Court for the Southern, Western, Eastern and Northern Districts of Texas;  
United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Hughes Watters Askanase, L.L.P.**, Houston, TX  
*Of Counsel*

1/2007-Present

- With 41 years of legal experience, handled a variety of legal matters over her career in the areas of mediation and Bankruptcy law. A highly strategic, goal-focused, and results-oriented advocate with extensive experience and proven success in leading and executing organizational change, restructuring, liquidation and mediation, delivering optimal results for her clients in tough economic environments. Many time's exceeding the financial and operational goals.

## EDUCATION, CERTIFICATIONS, & BOARD SPECIALIZATION(S)

**University of Houston Law Center**, Houston, TX  
*Juris Doctorate*

1980

**University of Texas at Arlington**, Arlington, TX  
*Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communication*

1977

Board Certified in Consumer Bankruptcy Law by the American Bankruptcy Board and the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, 1986

Credited Mediator – Texas Association of Mediators 2007

Served as a member on the Bankruptcy Law Exam Commission

Served as a Chapter 7 Panel Trustee from 1995-2005 for the Western District of Texas, Midland Division

Chapter 7 Panel Trustee, Southern District of Texas, Houston and Galveston Division 1984-Present

Serves on the Board of the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees

State Bar of Texas

Houston Bar Association

American Bankruptcy Institute

Association of Attorney-Mediators

Attorney Mediator Association

College of State Bar of Texas

Consumer Bankruptcy Advisory Committee

Houston Association of Debtors Attorney

National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys

National Association of Bankruptcy Trustee, Board Member 2017-Present; Committee Co-Chair for Regional Conferences

## AWARDS AND HONORS

*Texas Super Lawyers by Thomson Reuters* 2004 through 2011

Distinguished Speaker for the Houston Bar Association Bankruptcy Section

Janet is a frequent and confident presenter and author for various conferences on Bankruptcy and Mediation. These include the State Bar of Texas Advanced Business and Consumer Bankruptcy, University of Houston Bankruptcy Conferences, International Bankruptcy Conference, University of Texas Bankruptcy Conference, Fifth Circuit Bankruptcy Bench Bar, Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Bench Bar, State of Texas Bankruptcy Bench Bar, National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees and the Attorney Mediator Association on Mediation in Bankruptcy. She is considered an expert in the field of

Consumer Bankruptcy and Small Business Reorganization. Serves as a mentor for attorneys entering the Bankruptcy arena and for new Panel Trustees.

## **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

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Northrup and her husband, Bobby are extensively involved in their community. They have been active with Special Youth Services doing spiritual Counseling at the Juvenile Detention Center for over 25 years. They chair the quarterly blood drives at their church for Gulf Coast Blood Center. They also organized two emergency blood drives after hurricane Harvey for the victims resulting in their church being named Church of the Year by Gulf Coast. As a couple, they mentor both married and engaged couples through their church. Janet serves as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister and sings in the choir. Janet serves on the Board of the Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center on their Charism Committee and their Retreat Preaching Team. She also serves as a coordinator and facilitator of the Bible Study- Forgiven and Set Free in the Arch-Diocese of Galveston Houston.