

Tom McCasland

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EDUCATION

Yale Law School, J.D., 2006, New Haven, Connecticut

Baylor University, M.A., 1997, Philosophy, Waco, Texas

Hobe Sound Bible College, B.A., 1995, *valedictorian*, Hobe Sound, Florida

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Harris County Housing Authority, Houston, Texas March 2012 to Present
CEO: Led turnaround efforts for troubled housing agency. Reduced annual operating expenses by nearly fifty percent. Implemented policies and procedures to ensure transparency and efficiency in government. Managed an annual budget of \$38 million.

Houston Parks Board, Houston, Texas Spring 2011 to Spring 2012
Bayou Greenways: Wrote successful TIGER grant application for \$28 million project funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation with local matching funds. Structured funding plan for \$500 million county-wide park expansion to include 300 miles of linear parks and trails and 4,000 new acres of greenspace. Coordinated legislative efforts to increase park space in Houston.

Bill White for Texas, Houston, Texas Spring 2010 to Fall 2010
Director of Research: Performed opposition and policy research. Developed and executed campaign strategy with campaign manager, senior policy advisors and communications team.

Vinson & Elkins, Houston, Texas Fall 2006 to Spring 2010
Associate: Served as general counsel to governmental entities. Supervised 35 contract attorneys in DOJ-initiated, internal investigation involving a major energy firm. Wrote litigation briefs.

Center for American Progress, Washington, D.C. Summer 2005
Law Student Intern: Assisted Faith and Progressive Policy Project with building progressive interfaith coalitions.

The Princeton Review, College Station, Texas Fall 2001 to Summer 2003
Executive Director: Administered courses for college and graduate school entrance exams.

Charles Schwab & Co., Inc., Austin, Texas Fall 2000 to Fall 2001
Licensed Representative: Brokered trades and educated clients on investment options.

Baylor University, Institute for Faith & Learning, Waco, Texas Fall 1997 to Fall 2000
Assistant Director & Adjunct Instructor: Organized conferences regarding religion's intersection with literature, politics, philosophy, art and science. Taught logic and philosophy courses.