

## Attorney provides a human touch in resolving personal injury issues

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HOUSTON (Covering Katy News)—Some people need time to figure out what to do with their careers. Not so with Farrah Martinez, a Houston-based attorney who specializes in personal injury law.

"From a young age, we watched Matlock and Law and Order," she said, recalling her childhood in Tamms, Illinois, in the southern part of the state. "I was always very interested in the law. I read about different things going on in the news. Politics and law have always been an interest."

She earned her undergraduate degree and moved to Dallas to be with her brother and explore her options for a legal career. While there, she worked in a law office and prepared to enter law school. She came to Houston to attend the Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University, and earned her law degree in 2005.

She also met her husband, Roy Martinez, while there. He works in the oil and gas industry, and they have two children.

When Martinez graduated from law school, she began her own practice that focused mostly on criminal law. She later worked for Harris County for six years as a director of legislative and legal affairs for the district clerk's office.

In 2015, she left that role and resumed her own law practice.

"I like helping people, and that was one of my goals, to be able to talk to people and see people and have a very customer-oriented type of legal practice," Martinez said. "I did criminal law for a while, and just kind of phased out of that and moved into personal injury law."

Martinez's practice focuses on such items as car and motorcycle accident injuries, animal and dog bites, elder care, insurance claims, and personal injury. It also focuses on premises liability, workers compensation, and wrongful death, among others.

Martinez said that car accident cases are the situations she sees most often.

Working with people and bringing their case to a conclusion that they're happy with is the best part of her job, Martinez said.

"To be able to close a case out and provide some monetary compensation," Martinez said. "To get proper medical attention and compensation for whatever injury they've suffered. When we're able to do that, it's really fulfilling and clients are very grateful that we're able to help them."

Her office is in the heart of downtown Houston, but she recently opened a satellite office in the Humble area. She hopes to open a similar office in the Katy area.

"I would like to have an office in every part of town, eventually," she said.

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