

RESUME OF JIM MATHEWS

PERSONAL:

Born January 23, 1947; Sherman, Texas
Married to Melissa Morrow Mathews
Three Children-Benjamin, Ethan and Lucas

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES:

State Bar of Texas 1973
U. S. District Court for the Western District of Texas
United States Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit
United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit
United States Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

LEGAL EDUCATION:

University of Texas School of Law, J.D., awarded 1973

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Partner in the firm of Mathews & Freeland, L.L.P. Practice is primarily in the areas of Environmental and Natural Resource Law. Practice includes the representation of clients before both state and federal administrative agencies and in trial and appellate courts at both state and federal levels.

Principal in the firm of Lloyd, Gosselink, Fowler, Blevins & Mathews, P.C.: August, 1985 through December, 1997

I joined Lloyd, Gosselink in July 1985 and became a principal in January 1987. My practice was primarily in the areas of Environmental and Natural Resource Law. Practice included the representation of clients before both state and federal administrative agencies and in trial and appellate courts at both state and federal levels.

Chief of Environmental Protection Division: Texas Attorney General's Office, from November, 1982 through July 15, 1985.

This Division handled all environmental litigation involving the State of Texas. As Chief of the Division I supervised the work of 21 attorneys, and handled significant cases. The major clients of the Division included: Texas Department of Water Resources; Texas Air Control Board; Texas Department of Health; Texas Railroad Commission; Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; and General Land Office. Litigation conducted by the division included both trial and appellate work in State and Federal Courts. During my tenure as Division Chief productivity of the Division in terms of cases closed doubled, and civil penalties assessed in litigation increased in excess of 600%.

Assistant Attorney General: May, 1978 to November, 1983.

I served as Assistant Attorney General in the Environmental Protection Division enforcing environmental statutes and representing administrative agencies in defense of their decisions under the Texas Register Administrative Procedure Act. In addition to numerous enforcement cases, I successfully represented the State of Texas in challenging regulations adopted by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency concerning the prevention of significant deterioration of air quality. I also successfully represented the State in defending the adoption of its Implementation Plan for Air Quality under the Federal Clean Air Act against a challenge brought by the City of Seabrook.

Staff Attorney at Texas Air Control Board: February, 1974 to April, 1978

While serving in the Office of General Counsel, I prepared cases for prosecution under state statutes by the Attorney General's Office, and assisted in those prosecutions. I also represented the staff in administrative hearings before the Agency's Hearings Examiners, and served as general counsel to the Agency which has a staff of 360 employees.

Legislative Assistant: The Honorable Ben Munson; January, 1973 to January, 1974

While serving as Legislative Assistant during the regular session of the Legislature, I drafted amendments to the Texas Water Code which were enacted into law. I also served as Legislative Assistant to Representative Munson during the Constitutional Convention.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Fellow--Texas Bar Foundation

Chairman, Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, State Bar of Texas (1993-1994)

Co-Chairman of Texas Water Law Conference (1992-2000)

Member, State Bar of Texas (Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, Litigation Section, Administrative and Public Law Section)