# THOMAS AVERY LITTRELL IV

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN CALIFORNIA AWAITING ADMISSION IN ALABAMA

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#### **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

#### Law Office of Rebecca Tran, San Jose, CA (3 years)

Silicon Valley family law firm specializing in business owner property interests

### Partner/Attorney, November 2012 to June 2013

- Developed case theory and discovery strategy, including taking and defending depositions, propounding and responding to document/e-document, interrogatory and admission requests, and preparing subpoenas and effective demonstrative exhibits
- Worked closely with CPAs, actuaries, and other experts
- Appeared at trials and evidentiary and motion hearings, in civil and family court
- Opening and closing statements, direct and cross of lay and expert witnesses
- Conducted numerous successful four-way settlement meetings
- Soloed initial potential new client meetings and learned effective attorney-client relationship management

## Law Clerk/Certified Law Student, 2010 to 2012

- Acquired adversarial and mediation skills under sole practitioner
- Participated in trial and discovery through student certification program, conducted client meetings, worked up business valuations, honed legal research and writing skills

#### Baker Manock and Jensen PC, Fresno, CA (3 months)

#### Summer Associate, 2011

- Drafted complaints, answers, motions, letters, and various memoranda
- Exposure in corporate litigation and transactions/negotiations, medical malpractice, white collar criminal defense, water, and property law

## Northern California Innocence Project, Santa Clara, CA (3 months)

## Summer Extern, 2010

- Worked to exonerate innocent prisoners by assisting in habeas corpus proceedings
- Investigated witness testimony, interviewed prisoners, and legal research and writing

## **EXPERIENCE**

## <u>Villa Mirabella Center</u>, Rosignano Marrittimo, Italy, Winter, 2008 (5 months)

Consulted local government to create economic development plan, attract investors for public-private partnership, and raise capital for cultural and study abroad center start-up

# Bank of the West, Sacramento, CA, Summer, 2008 (3 months)

Trained under senior credit analyst spreading, analyzing, and forecasting financials; cultivated sales and new business development skills by accompanying senior vice president

# Littrell Lumber Mill Inc., Decatur, AL (17 years)

Started as summer employee at age six (ground-up experience) and full-time mill manager for one year after receiving bachelor degree; developed website: littrelllumbermill.com

# **EDUCATION**

### Santa Clara University School of Law (J.D., 2012), Santa Clara, CA

Honors: cum laude; Order of the Coif; Dean's list

Witkin Award for Academic Excellence in Pretrial Litigation Techniques
Witkin Award for Academic Excellence in Legal Issues of Start-Up Businesses
CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Legal Profession
Outstanding Oral Advocacy Award

Auburn University (M.B.A., 2008), Auburn, AL Auburn University (B.S.B.A., 2006), Auburn, AL