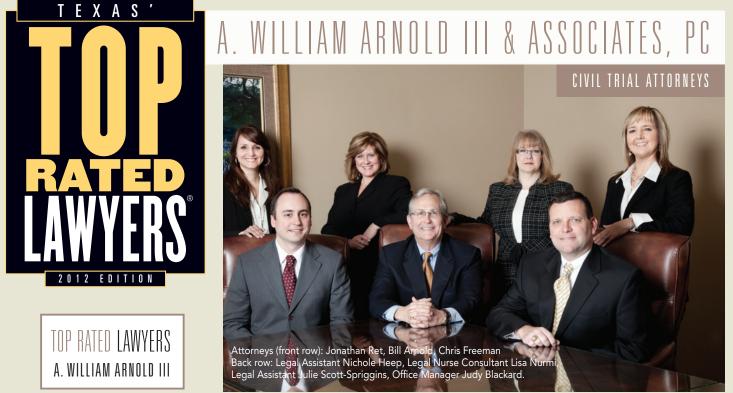


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fter practicing in larger law firms for almost 20 years Bill Arnold founded A. William Arnold III & Associates in 1998, because he sought the freedom to devote all of his time to his clients' needs. Today, the firm has a reputation for supporting clients through the most challenging litigation from its Dallas and San Antonio-area offices.

"In handling complex litigation for the last 30 years, we try to stress to our clients that this is a marathon and not a sprint," Arnold says. Partner Chris Freeman agrees, noting, "Any time someone is sued it can be a business and personal rollercoaster, so we try to counsel our clients on the law and the emotional stress of the litigation." Over the years, the firm's motto, "Excellence without Arrogance," has come to distinguish its representation. Indeed, attorneys at the firm have found success in civil litigation, including commercial litigation, negligence, probate, products liability defense, premises liability, and professional malpractice.

"Many firms try to be everything to every client," Freeman notes. "But by focusing solely on civil trial work we have been able to become very good at what we do." Arnold and Freeman both received law degrees from Baylor Law School and hold memberships in the State Bar of Texas, the Dallas Bar Association, the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, and the Defense Research Institute. Arnold is also a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. They are joined at the firm by associate Jonathan Ret, legal nurse consultant Lisa Nurmi, and legal assistants Julie Scott-Spriggins and Nichole Heep.

"The most rewarding part of this practice, besides making a difference for my clients, has been being able to work with incredibly talented people whom I respect," Arnold says.

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