

## Why You Should Choose Board Certified

### Mark of Excellence

Board Certification by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization is a mark of excellence and a distinguishing accomplishment. Within the Texas legal community, Board Certification means an attorney has substantial, relevant experience in a select field of law as well as demonstrated, and tested, special competence in that area of law.

### A Distinguished Few

There are more than 70,000 attorneys licensed to practice in Texas. Only about 750 are Board Certified in Family Law and only about 44 have dual Board Certifications in both Family Law and Civil Trial Law like Mr. Luce. Board Certified lawyers earn the right to publicly represent themselves as a specialist in a select areas of the law. In fact, they are the only attorneys allowed by the State Bar of Texas to do so. This designation sets them apart as being an attorney with the highest, public commitment to excellence in their areas of law.

The process is voluntary and can only take place after an attorney has been in practice for five years, with a minimum of three years experience in the specialty area. Moreover, Board Certification is not a one-time event. It requires an ongoing involvement in the specialty area which is periodically substantiated with references from peers in that field. It also requires annual professional refreshment through TBLS approved, Continuing Legal Education course work to stay abreast of current trends in law.