

RACHEL MONTES

Personal Injury and Wrongful Death

Experience. Justice. Results. Rachel Montes focuses her practice on helping people whose lives have been shattered through the legal fault of others. Montes has dedicated her legal career to fighting for people, starting her own law firm shortly after receiving her law degree, and has been aggressively standing up for her clients and their families ever since in cases such as trucking accidents, insurance claims, pharmacy misfills, daycare negligence, nursing home negligence, and others.

Montes Herald Law Group partners Rachel Montes and Thomas Herald focus on one thing: justice for their clients. Montes believes that representing people is about discovering the story of not only what happened to them, but who they are and where the defendant has left them. "Every case has a powerful story; we strive to find that story and give our clients a voice."

Montes prepares each case as if it were going to trial, and together, she and Herald have tried more than 100 cases to verdict, securing millions of dollars in compensation for their clients' and their families. In addition, Montes believes that we should leave things better than we found them. "As lawyers, we have a strong responsibility to the public to make the kind of changes that benefit everyone and create permanent safety upgrades."

Her settlements have required that the defendants make charitable contributions, safety upgrades, and permanent policy changes that eliminate dangerous conditions and careless behavior.

"I feel strongly that it is our duty as lawyers, once we have uncovered dangerous conditions and activities that hurt people, to make sure that doesn't happen to others. We've been fortunate and blessed to enjoy success for our clients in settlements and in trial, and that comes from knowing our clients, thorough preparation, and making sure our clients and their families are heard."

Montes sits on the board of directors for the Texas Trial Lawyers Association as well as the board of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association. She is past president of the Dallas Women Lawyers Association and is a frequent invited lecturer on personal injury law. She was previously voted by her peers as one of the Best Lawyers in Dallas Under 40.

EDUCATION

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