

From the Desk of Matthew Lopez



I am a rising 2L at Baylor University School of Law, interning at the Law Office of Walter Reaves over the summer. Day-to-day, I am engaged in intensive legal research projects while helping to analyze issues that can benefit an 11.07 writ of habeas corpus applicant. In assisting with this post-conviction research, I became apprised of the several significant challenges an applicant must overcome to succeed and achieve relief. For example, submitting an 11.07 application generally precludes an applicant from bringing unraised grounds in a subsequent writ. These challenges invigorate me all the same, and I strive to ensure that my legal research is comprehensive and effective.

I am particularly motivated by my belief in the underlying tenets of the American criminal legal system, such as the presumption of innocence, the adversarial nature of proceedings as opposed to inquisitorial, and, of course, the constitutional protections restraining the government from unduly imposing their great power over a single individual. I am similarly guided by my personal experiences as a father, husband, teacher, and member of the Latinx community. Working at the Law Office of Walter Reaves, I have had the opportunity to draft memoranda supporting individuals where I have drawn from such tenets and experiences. This summer continues to be a great experience. I am grateful for the opportunity to become more intimately aware of the criminal legal field and how to fight against injustice.

—Matthew



It's a holiday weekend, and that always means one big thing for criminal defense lawyers: We're about to get a lot of calls from a lot of people who were arrested after being pulled over. We don't want that for you, or anyone. I've seen a lot of mistakes made when someone is pulled over.

Watch my video on what to do, and what NOT to do, when you're pulled over.

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What does the McLennan County firework ban mean for me?

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Do you know what to say when you've been pulled over for DWI?

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Suga, Suga



The proof is in the pudding. (Or in this case, ALL the sweets.) Before you come at us for posting all of this sugar, know that it's okay to treat yourself for just one day. What better one than Independence Day? There are more sweet surprises on the link below, but we love the Red Velvet Trifle Cups best.

[Get the Goods](#)

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"I want to thank all of you, at the Law office Brittany, Brinda, and Walter. I was treated like family. They really had my best interests in mind. I was very satisfied with out come of the hole process. You guys we're Amazing and very professional. Thank you guys for keeping my life moving forward. I highly recommend the Law Office of Sir Walter Reaves. He gets it done!"

—Brad A.



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BE SAFE AND ENJOY YOUR LONG WEEKEND!

