

Gina Farmer

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Dallas, Texas

Graduate Gemologist (GIA) and Founder of Gem Facets Jewelry Appraisal, providing valuation, authentication, and expert witness services in matters involving jewelry, diamonds, gemstones and watches. Combines technical gemological expertise with formal legal training to deliver clear, defensible opinions in litigation, estate, and insurance disputes.

EXPERTISE

- Jewelry and gemstone valuation
- Diamond grading and identification disputes
- Lab-grown vs natural diamond analysis
- Estate and probate asset valuation
- Divorce asset valuation
- Insurance replacement vs fair market value analysis
- Appraisal review and standard-of-care analysis
- Authentication of jewelry, diamonds, and gemstones

EDUCATION	Washington University in St. Louis School of Law <i>Master of Legal Studies</i> GPA: 4.0	St. Louis, MO • 8/2025-5/2026
	Cornell School of Law <i>Business Law and Cannabis Law certificates</i>	Ithaca, NY • 5/2025-8/2025
	Mitchell Hamline School of Law <i>Juris Doctor</i> coursework completed Top 18% of class Dean's List: GPA: 3.52	St. Paul, MN • 8/2023-5/2025
	United States School of Gemology <i>Registered Gemologist Appraiser</i>	San Antonio, TX • 1/2025 - 5/2025
	Gemological Institute of America Graduate Gemologist: Natural and Lab Grown diamond and colored stone grading; Gem identification of synthetic and simulants, natural-colored stones and pearls.	Carlsbad, CA • 7/2017 - 4/2021
	Cooper Institute Certified Personal Trainer: Personal Training/Kinesiology	Dallas, TX • 10/2016
	ATP Flight Academy Commercial Pilot Instrument Single & Multi-Engine Airplane License	Jacksonville Beach, FL • 2004-06
	Southern Methodist University Bachelor of Arts: Communication Arts/Marketing <i>magna cum laude- GPA 3.71</i>	Dallas, TX • 5/2001

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LEGAL EXPERIENCE

JPF Securities Law

Dallas, Texas • 9/2024-2/2025

Intern

- Gained exposure to securities regulation including FINRA broker dealer regulation, SEC reporting and public market transactions
- Gained exposure to export control including the International Treaty for Arms Regulation, the Arms Export Control Act, the USML, USMIL, the Export Administration Regulations and the Commerce Control List.
- Draft and review public company 10-K, 10-Q and S-1 filings with SEC and draft Board Resolution documents
- Conduct client interviews, drafted memo's

Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program/Legal Aid of Northwest Texas

Summer Extern

Dallas, Texas • 6/2024-8/24

- Assisted underserved Dallas County clients with pro-bono legal work.
- Focused on virtual clinics within probate, family law, bankruptcy, employment, housing and consumer affairs.
- Responsible for new client interviews, case research and drafting reports focusing on issue spotting, identifying key facts and gathering witness statements, and reminding attorneys of upcoming deadlines within the case and court.
- Researched and drafted documents to prepare the assigned pro-bono lawyers for the client's next steps in litigation.

GLG Consulting

Dallas, Texas • 10/22- present

Freelance Expert Consultant

- Provide subject matter expertise on gemology, jewelry valuation, and industry practices
- Advise clients on market trends, valuation methodologies, and authentication issues
- Participate in consulting engagements involving legal, financial, and investment-related inquiries
- Advise clients on issues involving valuation disputes, authentication, and industry standards

Lloyd Ward & Associates P.C.

Dallas, Texas • 2/1994 - 8/2000

Paralegal

- Prepared highly researched briefs and discovery documents under attorney supervision.
- Filed legal paperwork in Dallas and Collin counties and scheduled hearings with Clerks.
- Scheduled, coordinated and prepared materials for meetings between legal teams, the court and clients.
- Managed general clerical needs: opening and closing files, scanning, faxing, emailing documents.
- Daily billable hour recordkeeping and bi-weekly payroll.
- Managed accounts and client records running conflict checks in the system, maintaining confidentiality and discretion.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE **Gem Facets Jewelry Appraisal** Dallas, Texas • 9/2021-present
Founder/Owner/Chief Executive Officer

- Provide independent valuation, authentication, and appraisal services for jewelry, diamonds, and gemstones
- Prepare appraisal reports for insurance, estate, probate, and fair market value purposes
- Consult with attorneys and accountants on valuation issues in litigation, estate administration, and asset division
- Conduct gemological analysis using microscopy, testing instruments, and market research to form defensible value opinions
- Provide expert consulting related to appraisal methodology, valuation discrepancies, and authentication issues
- Provide consulting support in litigation matters, including preparation for deposition and trial testimony

The Dough Dough Dallas, Texas • 9/2017 – 4/2021
Founder/Owner/Chief Executive Officer

- Built and operated multi-location retail business
- Managed operations, staffing, and financial performance
- Developed franchise documentation and intellectual property strategy

The Hair Bar Dallas, Texas. • 1/2011 - 9/2017
Founder/Owner/Chief Executive Officer

- Owner of several blow-dry salons in DFW area. Managed all aspects of the business.
- Trademarked brand intellectual property.

Diamond Affairs Invitations & Stationery Dallas, Texas • 6/2001 - 11/2004
Founder/Owner/Chief Executive Officer

- Retail custom stationery and wedding/event planning boutique.

LEADERSHIP **Philanthropy and Board Seats:** Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Dallas Zoo, Dallas Opera, Frontiers of Flight Museum, Junior League of Dallas, AT&T Center for Performing Arts, North Texas Super Bowl Host Committee.

Current Mentorship: Mitchell Hamline School of Law Student Ambassador; SMU Cox School of Business MBA Mentor, SMU Meadows School Mentor; Parish Episcopal School Leadership Institute Mentor grades 10-12.

Organization Involvement: Dallas Bar Association; GIA Alumni; Chi Omega Fraternity; Appraisers International Society; International Gem Society; Young Men’s Service League.

AWARDS Dean’s List (2024–2026) | Thomson Reuters Advanced Legal Research Certificate (2024) | Modern Luxury Top Businesswoman (2013–2014) | Les Femmes Du Monde Woman of the Year (2014)

INTERESTS Mentorship, golf, travel.
