

## Todd P. Graves

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Todd P. Graves is a lawyer in private practice with the law firm of Graves Bartle Marcus & Garrett, LLC. Graves represents individuals and businesses nationwide before federal and state courts and administrative agencies. His areas of expertise include internal investigations, white collar criminal defense, political speech and election law, regulatory compliance, and complex commercial litigation.

Graves currently serves as Executive Vice-President of the Pony Express Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He is a member of the board of directors of the American Royal Association and a founding board member of the Kansas City Missouri Police Foundation. Graves also was a founding executive board member of the Northland Lutheran School Association, which operates an elementary school and a middle school.

Graves is admitted to the United States Supreme Court, the Missouri Bar, the Texas Bar, the Iowa Bar, the Kansas Bar, the Federal Courts of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, the Eighth Circuit and the Sixth Circuit, and the Federal District Courts for the Western District of Missouri, the Eastern District of Missouri, the District of Kansas, the District of Colorado, and the Western District of Michigan.

Before forming Graves Bartle Marcus and Garrett, Graves served as the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri. As United States Attorney, Graves was responsible for prosecuting federal crimes including mail and wire fraud, money laundering, public corruption, health care fraud, child pornography, firearms violations, narcotics trafficking, pharmaceutical diversion, corporate fraud, and terrorism financing. During Graves' tenure, felony filings doubled.

In addition, Graves was responsible for defending civil lawsuits brought against the United States, handling federal forfeiture actions, and collecting debts and restitution. Graves managed a staff of 120 with headquarters in Kansas City and two branch offices.

From 2001 to 2005 Graves served as the Department of Justice National Co-Chair of the Child Exploitation Working Group. As United States Attorney he established state and federal task forces to investigate exploitation of children through the internet and was instrumental in locating a Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory in Kansas City. Throughout his career as a prosecutor Graves was at the forefront in enforcing laws against those who abuse children.

Graves also served as a member of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee, advising the Attorney General on Department of Justice national priorities and policies. Graves participated in drafting Department of Justice policies in corporate investigations including charging, pre-trial diversion, and sentencing.

Graves was appointed United States Attorney from his position as Platte County Prosecuting Attorney, an office to which he was elected in 1994 and 1998. At the time of his election in 1994, he was the youngest full-time prosecuting attorney in Missouri.

As Prosecuting Attorney and as United States Attorney, Graves actively managed cases and trials under his authority and personally tried numerous jury trials to verdict, including cases of child molestation, drug distribution, murder and capital murder.

Prior to his service as Platte County Prosecuting Attorney, Graves was in private practice with the Bryan Cave law firm. Before joining Bryan Cave, Graves was an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Missouri.

In 1991, Graves received his law degree and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Virginia. He received a bachelor's degree, *Summa Cum Laude*, from the University of Missouri in 1988.

Raised on a family farm near Tarkio, Missouri, Graves has been married 20 years to his wife, Tracy. The couple has four children, and they reside on a 270 acre farm north of Kansas City that has been in the family since 1867.