

Curriculum Vitae: Preston Rideout

Roles, consulting practice, expert-witness experience, certifications, publications, and education.

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Summary

Hospitality operator and consultant with a career that began behind the bar in 1996 and includes bar management, nightclub general management, and multi-unit bar-operations leadership in Las Vegas, Texas, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi, and Washington, DC. CEO of Rideout Hospitality Consulting since 2010, advising operators in the United States, Mexico, and the Bahamas. Holds 112 alcohol-service certifications across 48 states and the District of Columbia. Retained as an expert witness by plaintiff and defense counsel in Dram Shop, liquor-liability, alcohol-service, bar, nightclub, restaurant, and hospitality matters; 20 listed deposition and trial appearances in 11 states, 2021–2026.

Expert-witness experience

20

Matters with deposition or trial testimony

14 / 6

Plaintiff / defense retentions

11

States: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, Texas

2

Trial appearances; 18 depositions

Complete case list with courts, retaining counsel, party, and dates: Prior Testimony.

Consulting

2010 – Present

**Rideout Hospitality Consulting — CEO · United States, Mexico, and
Bahamas**

Client list

Bar Rescue (Spike TV)

Absinthe, Memphis, TN

Alluvian Hotel, Greenwood, MS

Ambhar, Las Vegas, NV

B.B. King's, Memphis, TN

B.B. King's, Montgomery, AL

B.B. King's, New Orleans, LA

Babalu, Atlanta, GA

Babalu, Birmingham, AL

Babalu, Chapel Hill, NC

Babalu, Charlotte, NC

Babalu, Jackson, MS

Babalu, Lexington, KY

Babalu, Memphis, TN

Babalu, Nashville, TN

Babalu, Raleigh, NC

Carlos & Charlie's, Las Vegas, NV

Cannery, Nashville, TN

Collegiate Hotel, Auburn, AL

Crusen's, East Peoria, IL

Daiquiri Factory, Nassau, Bahamas

Eastside, Portland, OR

Gardenia's, Greenwood, MS

High Watt, Nashville, TN

Hotel Fenix, Guadalajara, Mexico

Itta Bena, Memphis, TN

Itta Bena, Montgomery, AL

Itta Bena, Orlando, FL

Lafayette's, Memphis, TN

Lafayette's, Orlando, FL

Longshot's, Sterling, IL

Lucille's, Montgomery, AL

Memphian Hotel, Memphis, TN

Mercy Lounge, Nashville, TN

Millennium Hotel, Guadalajara, Mexico

Park City Live, Park City, UT

Pink Shell, Fort Myers, FL

Red Rock, Fort Lauderdale, FL

The Pocket, Memphis, TN

Work history

2014 – 2016

Luke's Icehouse — Director of Bar Operations · Texas

2013 – 2014

Electric Cowboy — Director of Nightlife · Kentucky / Missouri

Summer 2012

Rehab Pool Party — Bar Manager · Las Vegas, Nevada

2010 – 2011

Eve Nightclub — General Manager · Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 – 2010

LAX Nightclub — Bartender / Multi-Unit AGM · Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 – 2010

Noir Bar — Bartender / Multi-Unit AGM · Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 – 2010

Pure Nightclub — Bartender / Multi-Unit AGM · Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 – 2010

Pussycat Dolls Lounge — Bartender / Multi-Unit AGM · Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 – 2010

Venus Pool Club — Bartender / Multi-Unit AGM · Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 – 2010

Audigier Nightclub — Bartender / Bar Manager · Las Vegas, Nevada

2004 – 2008

Tangerine Nightclub — Bartender / Bar Manager · Las Vegas, Nevada

2004

Coyote Ugly — Bar Manager · Washington, DC / Las Vegas, Nevada

1996 – 2003

The Gin — Bartender / Bar Manager · Oxford, Mississippi

Alcohol safety certifications

112 seller-server, responsible-vendor, and alcohol-management certifications across 49 jurisdictions (48 states and the District of Columbia), itemized.

Alabama — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Alabama — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Alaska — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Arizona — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Arizona — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Arkansas — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Arkansas — Seller Server Training Serving Alcohol

Arkansas — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

California — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Colorado — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Connecticut — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Connecticut — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Connecticut — Seller Server Training Serving Alcohol

Delaware — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Florida — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Florida — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Florida — Alcohol Seller Server Classes (SSC)

Florida — Seller Server Training Serving Alcohol

Florida — Responsible Vendor American Safety Council

Florida — Responsible Vendor Responsible Training

Florida — Responsible Vendor Alcohol New Hire

Florida — Responsible Vendor Alcohol Manager

Florida — Responsible Vendor Alcohol Habitual Drunkard

Florida — Responsible Vendor Alcohol ID Checking

Florida — Responsible Vendor Alcohol “BAC”

Georgia — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Georgia — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Georgia — Seller Server Training Serving Alcohol

Idaho — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Idaho — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Illinois — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Illinois — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Illinois — Responsible Vendor Training (BASSET)

Indiana — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Indiana — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Iowa — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Iowa — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Kansas — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Kentucky — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Kentucky — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Louisiana — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Louisiana — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Maine — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Maine — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Maryland — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Maryland — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Massachusetts — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Massachusetts — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Michigan — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Michigan — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Michigan — Responsible Vendor American Safety Council

Minnesota — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Minnesota — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Mississippi — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Mississippi — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Missouri — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Missouri — Alcohol Responsibility Training (SMART)

Missouri — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Montana — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Montana — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Nebraska — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Nebraska — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Nevada — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

New Hampshire — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

New Hampshire — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

New Jersey — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

New Jersey — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

New Mexico — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

New Mexico — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

New York — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

New York — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

New York — State Liquor Authority Alcohol Training (ATAP)

New York — Responsible Vendor American Safety Council

North Carolina — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

North Carolina — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

North Dakota — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

North Dakota — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Ohio — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Ohio — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Ohio — Alcohol Seller Server Classes (SSC)

Oklahoma — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Oklahoma — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Oklahoma — Responsible Vendor Training (ABLE)

Oregon — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Oregon — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Pennsylvania — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Pennsylvania — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Rhode Island — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Rhode Island — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

South Carolina — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

South Carolina — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

South Dakota — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

South Dakota — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Tennessee — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Tennessee — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Texas — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Texas — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Texas — Alcohol Beverage Commission (TABC)

Texas — Responsible Beverage Training (TABC)

Utah — Responsible Alcohol Server (DABS)

Utah — Responsible Vendor American Safety Council

Vermont — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Vermont — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Virginia — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Virginia — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Washington DC — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

West Virginia — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

West Virginia — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Wisconsin — Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM)

Wyoming — Alcohol Awareness Certification Experts

Publications

Cocktail Currency — Xlibris, ISBN 1543462960

The Bar Starts Here — Bartender Training Manual — Co-authored with Ryan Dahlstrom; hosted by
The Bar Experts View

Public Safety Demands Responsible Alcohol Service — Article hosted by Witness Directory and
ExpertPages View

Education

University of Mississippi — B.A., English / Political Science (2000)

Prior testimony

CASE	COURT	RETAINED BY	PARTY	TESTIMONY	DATE
John Lockhart v. CTB Investors, LLC, d/b/a PBR Big Sky Cowboy Bar, Entertainment Consulting International, LLC, The Cordish Companies, Inc., Entertainment Holdings, LLLC, Brent Ault and Erik Storms	Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri, at Kansas City	Mike Ketchmark	Plaintiff	Deposition	April 17, 2026
Zachary Ghowiba v. James Nash, Jan Nash and Erik Nash	Circuit Court of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida	Ryan Will	Plaintiff	Deposition	January 23, 2026

CASE	COURT	RETAINED BY	PARTY	TESTIMONY	DATE
Todd M. Lopez, as Personal Representative of the Wrongful Death Estate of Lawrence Anzures, v. OL Texas Restaurants, LLC, FedSec Services, LLT, Michael Romero, Ashlee Vargas, and Haydee Lucas	State of New Mexico, County of Santa Fe, Judicial District Court	Chris Begeman	Defendant	Deposition	October 16, 2025
Eloise Sandoz, Individually and as Next Friend of Joe Palacios, v. Mathew Martinez	District Court, 345th Judicial District, Bexar County, Texas	Tim Maloney	Plaintiff	Deposition	August 11, 2025
Paulo A. Ribeiro v. Vision's d/b/a Peppermint Hippo	Circuit Court of Pulaski County, Arkansas, Civil Division	Andy Taylor	Plaintiff	Deposition	October 21, 2024
Kelly Prow v. Jack McDowell Post No. 5484, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Inc., and Jarrod Jones, and Jesse Lowe	Webster Circuit Court, Division One, Kentucky	Davis Hunter	Plaintiff	Deposition	August 16, 2024
Gerald D. Fredrickson v. Dennis Leporin, et al.	Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri	Tim Morgan	Plaintiff	Deposition	May 8, 2024
Karen Boots v. Rouss Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Gabriel's Café; Chad Wayne Hughes; TP Hoover, LLC, d/b/a Twin Peaks	Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama	Trey Traylor	Plaintiff	Deposition	March 22, 2024
Frenzy Moore v. Billy Ray Bowman Jr.	Florida's First Judicial Circuit Court, Escambia County	Joe Zarzaur	Plaintiff	Deposition	March 14, 2024
Ruth Halpine v. Gulf Shores Tacky Jack's, LLC	Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama	Howard Glick	Defendant	Deposition	December 14, 2023
Samuel Moore, Victor Sambade v. Laisses Les Bons Temps Rouler, Inc., d/b/a Zydeco	Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama	Jason Yearout	Plaintiff	Deposition	November 30, 2023
Frenrick Lamont Cathey, Jessaciah A. Peres, and Daniel Tharp v. Mario Eduardo Martinez Buenrostro and Kalahari Resorts	District Court of Travis County, Texas	Nicholas Kotonias	Plaintiff	Deposition	September 11, 2023

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Sandra Cortez v. TRT Holdings, Inc., d/b/a Omni Los Angeles Hotel at California Plaza, Omni Hotels Management Corporation; Edward Moreno and Leticia Sandoval	Superior Court of California for the County of Los Angeles, Central District	Carmen Aguado	Defendant	Deposition	August 16, 2023
The Estate of Corey Aufiero v. David L. Stewart, Raiser LLC, Perle Nightclub and Lounge	Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Monmouth County	Michael Camarinos	Defendant	Deposition	August 7, 2023
Sonya Gore, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Helen Gore, v. Whiskey Joe's	Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County, Florida	Peter Oppenheimer	Defendant	Deposition	November 15, 2022
Allan Leffew v. Midwest Gaming d/b/a Rivers Casino	Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, County Department, Law Division	Adam Ingber	Plaintiff	Deposition	October 4, 2022
Smith v. Clarke Fish House	Circuit Court, Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Duval County, Florida	Lawrence Najem	Defendant	Deposition	August 22, 2022
Jeff Scarborough v. Chateau Nightclub LLC, d/b/a The Beer Parl	District of Nevada, Clark County, Nevada	Christian Smith	Plaintiff	Deposition	June 30, 2022
Jack C. Massey v. Retreat at Gainesville, LLC	Circuit Court, Eighth Judicial Circuit, in and for Alachua County, Florida	Jamie Holland	Plaintiff	Trial	April 22, 2022
Jarnetta Glen v. Imani Monique Willis; 300 Bar, LLC; Black Market Bar & Grill	Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama	Rodney Bargainer	Plaintiff	Trial	November 5, 2021