

# About the Author



**Elaine L. Wilmore**, PhD, teaches online for the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and is also the owner of Elaine L. Wilmore Leadership Initiatives. She formerly served as Chair of Educational Leadership at Texas A&M at Texarkana, Texas A&M at Commerce, and Professor, Chair of Educational Leadership, Counseling, and Foundations as well as Doctoral Director at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. She has previously served at Dallas Baptist University as Assistant Vice President for Educational Networking and Program Director for the MEd and EdD degrees in Educational Leadership. She has

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Dr. Wilmore is honored to be on the Corwin “Best Seller” List and last year to have been named a “Million Dollar Book Seller,” awards she is incredibly humbled by.

Dr. Wilmore was a public school teacher, counselor, elementary, and middle school principal before she moved to higher education. In addition to her significant work in educational leadership, assessment, and program development, she enjoys reading, writing, walking, traveling, music, and spending time with those she loves. She is the wife of Greg Wilmore; the only child of her late beloved parents, Lee and Irene Litchfield; the mother of three wonderful children, Brandon Gregory Wilmore, Brooke Elaine Wilmore, and Brittani Leigh Wilmore Rollen; and has a fabulous son-in-law, Ryan Rollen. Top highlights of her life are her grandchildren, Miss Blair Elaine Rollen and Mr. Lucas Ryan Rollen. Newer beloved additions to her life are her goddaughters, Celeste Arnold and Katharyn Davis. Elaine has three geriatric, yet still outstanding Pug dogs, named Annabella Rose, Isabella Lace, and Tug the Pug, plus two Boxers, Bridgette Elise and Sassi Abigail, that she loves dearly. In her limited spare time she dreams of learning to play the violin, viola, and cello and also of taking leisurely hot, peach bubble baths by candlelight in Italy.