



**John T. Knight M.D.**  
Curriculum Vitae

**Certification:**

- Qualified Medical Examiner, October 2000
- Certificate of Added Qualifications in Surgery of the Hand, August 1996
- American Board of Orthopedic Surgery, July 1995
- Federal Licensing Exam, June 1987

**Education:**

- 1983 – 1987 Louisiana State University School of Medicine, Shreveport, Louisiana, M.D.
- 1980 – 1983 Centenary College of Louisiana, B.S. (Biology)
- 1979 – 1980 Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee

**Post Graduate Training:**

- 1992 – 1993 Joseph H. Boyes, M.D. – Orthopedic Hand Fellowship
- 1991 – 1992 Chief Residency in Orthopedic Surgery, Louisiana State University Medical Center, Shreveport, Louisiana
- 1987 – 1992 Clinical Residency in Orthopedic Surgery, Louisiana State University, Shreveport, Louisiana

**Awards and Honors:**

- Medical School:
  - Louisiana Orthopaedic Association Outstanding Student Award, June 1987
- College:
  - Alpha Lambda Delta, Freshman Honor Society
  - Phi Eta Sigma, Freshman Honor Society
  - Alpha Chi, Junior Honor Society

**Memberships:**

- American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons
- Texas Medical Association

**Practice Experience:**

- Founder and Chief of Staff of the Louisiana Hand & Upper Extremity Institute, 1993-2001
- Chief of the Willis-Knighton Medical Center/Louisiana Hand & Upper Extremity Institute Regional Replantation Program, 1993-2001
- Founder and President of Los Angeles Hand & Wrist Medical Associates, Inc. 2001-2009
- Director, the Hand and Wrist Institute, September 2009 – Present

**National and International Media Appearances:**

- May 31, 2012, air date, The Doctors TV show: trigger finger surgery
- April 5, 2012, air date, The Doctors TV show: Endoscopic carpal tunnel release surgery
- March 29, 2012, air date, The Doctors TV show: Arthroscopic TFC surgery
- May 26, 2011, air date, The Doctors TV show: Mommy Thumb

- March 29, 2011, air date, The Doctors TV show: Arthritis joint replacement surgery in the hand
- 2009, CNN International News: Discussion of airline in-flight death and use of defibrillator
- 1998, Good Morning America: Discussion of in-flight emergency Dr. Knight was involved in and his crusade to lobby congress to pass the Aviation Medical Assistance Act
- February 23, 1998: Airlines Split On Need For Medical Gear
- January 18, 1998, Dallas Morning News: Doctors Complain Airlines Lack Sufficient Medical Equipment
- January 15, 1998, Washington Post, page 1: Cardiac Arrest in the Air: Without the Tools to Cope...
- December, 1994, ABC News, CBS News, NBC News: Innovative Surgical Procedure Restores Man's Missing Thumb

**Significant Career Accomplishments:**

- May 1998, developed one of the first regional pilot programs for the Free Hand System, an implanted computerized device within the arm that restores function to a quadriplegic upper limb
- April 1998, Instrumental in lobbying Congress, the FAA and the NTSB in passing the Aviation Medical Assistance Act that mandated all airlines carry expanded medical kits including an automatic defibrillator; increased flight attendant training and a federal Good Samaritan law.
- December 1994, Performed one of the first toe-to-thumb transplants in the southern region of the U.S.
- 1993, Founded the Willis-Knighton Medical Center/ Louisiana Hand & Upper Extremity Institute Regional Replantation Program: center focusing on the reattachment and reconstruction of severed limbs and body parts; servicing a regional area between Dallas, New Orleans, Jackson and Memphis.