

IMAGINE HOUSTON

No one knows better than Houston that with vision, hard work and the right attitude, anything is possible.

Go ahead. Walk up to a Houstonian and tell them they can't do something. Tell them that something's impossible. Throw the words "can't," "don't" or "won't" in their face. Then stand back and watch them prove you wrong. Watch the people of the Houston region make it happen when others say it can't be done. We tackle every challenge with a uniquely Houston attitude.

★ When many scoffed at the idea of carving through 50 miles of coastal swamp to create the largest, man-made shipping channel in the world, Houston did it anyway.

★ When leading edge health care was only accessible to the wealthy, Houstonians gave birth to what would become the world's largest and finest center for medial care, The Texas Medical Center—the greatest concentration of medical professionals in the history of mankind.

★ When Houston's "Good Guys" were down a 15-30 start at the beginning of the season, the Astros rallied to clinch the National League Championship for the first time in the 44-year history of the franchise.

★ When Houston lost its NFL franchise and experts said we would never bring another team to Houston, Houstonians ponied-up and landed another franchise —The Houston Texans.

★ And, when our neighbors to the east suffered one of the nation's worst natural disasters, Houston stood tall with an unparalleled display of manpower, resources and care, bringing hope and relief to hurricane Katrina victims.

The Houston region is a vibrant metropolis with the energy, optimism and indomitable spirit of a global leader. Eccentric? Sure. Eclectic? Perhaps. Driven? Without a doubt. But while other cities and regions have nothing to offer other than tax and financial incentives, Houston stands alone with the ultimate value proposition—a proven "can-do" attitude that transforms dreams into reality. Because no one knows better than Houstonians, that with vision, hard work and the right attitude anything is possible.

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Deductive reasoning and devotion to detail helped Sherlock Holmes unravel some of the greatest mysteries of his day. This fictional detective would have felt at home at Rimkus Consulting Group, Inc. An international consulting and engineering firm, Rimkus gathers and analyzes scientific evidence to solve problems perplexing insurance companies, law firms, corporations and other clients worldwide.

"We're called in when something bad happens – a fire, explosion or industrial incident, product or equipment failure, vehicle accident, natural disaster or hazardous emission," explains Frank Culbertson, chairman. Using sophisticated computer tools, Rimkus' technical teams re-create the event to determine what happened, why and who's responsible. They also can assess damages and establish remediation costs.

"Often, our clients are dealing with big-dollar insurance claims or lawsuits," Culbertson says, "or they want to

know what happened so they can prevent a recurrence."

From offices in 31 cities, Rimkus tackles the most complex technical problems. Its 300-person staff includes representatives of all engineering disciplines as well as architects, environmental scientists, metallurgists, toxicologists, chemists, and industrial hygienists.

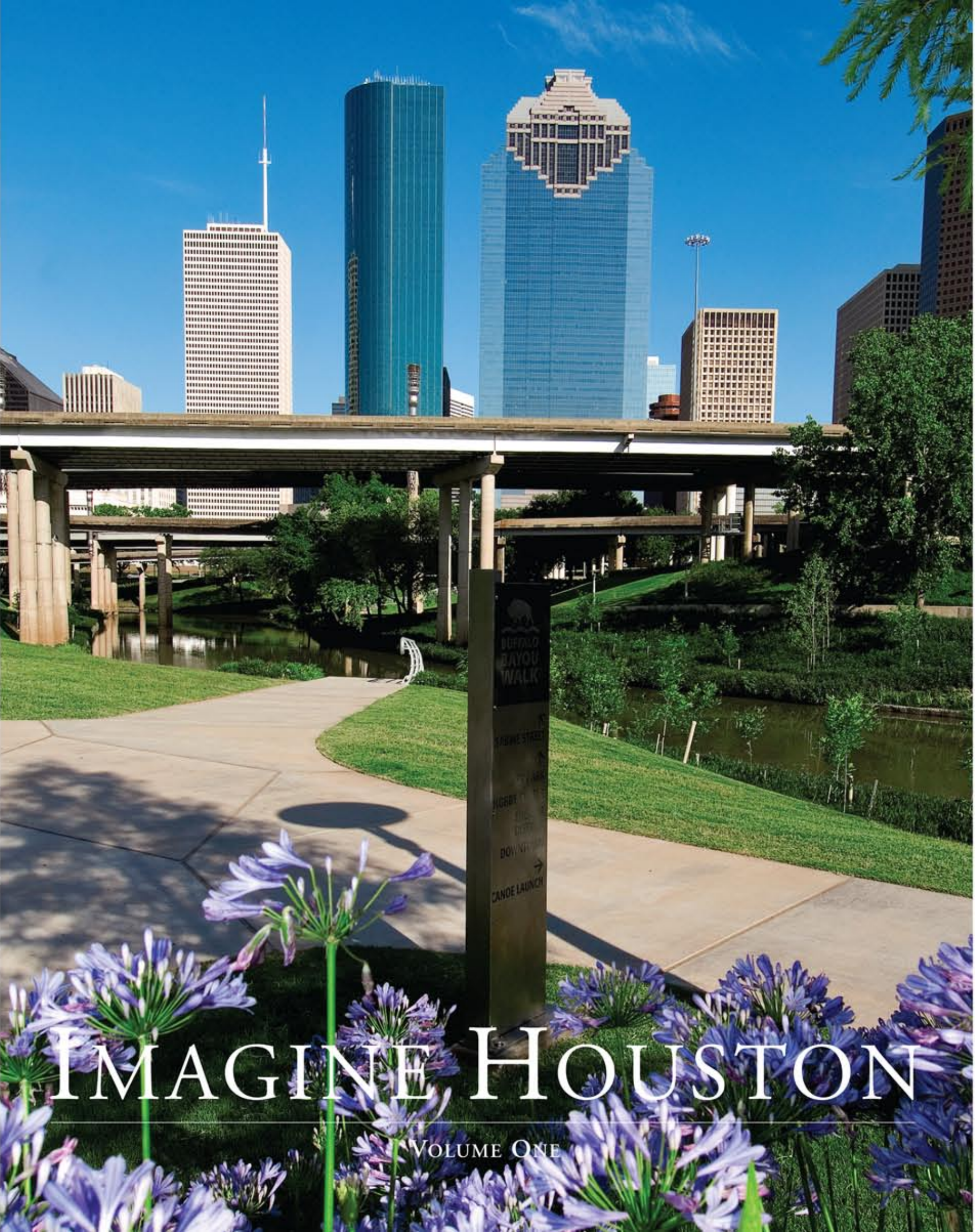
We're a one-stop shop," Culbertson says. "That's important, because solving complex problems may require multiple disciplines."

Rimkus' experts can provide credible testimony, in layman's terms, in depositions, at court and in hearings. In addition, the company's graphics division can produce photos, illustrations, models, videos and computer-generated 3-D animation to supplement oral and written reports.

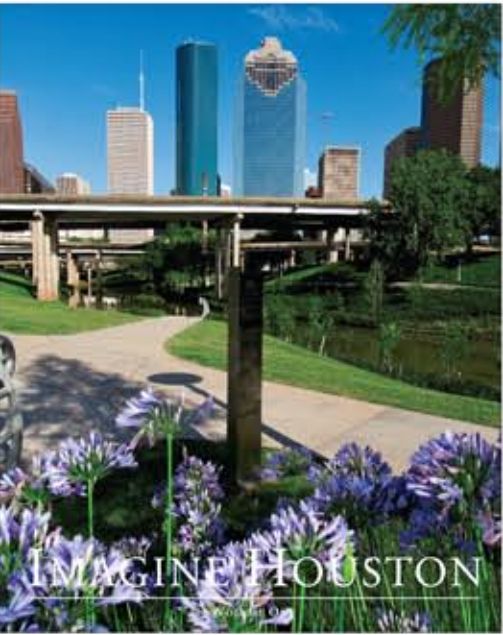
Even Sherlock Holmes would be impressed. ■

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Parks nestled in the shadows of downtown Houston offer Houstonians and visitors scenic space for festivals and bike trails. It's hard to believe that lush landscape is as common to downtown as skyscrapers, but it's the truth. Houstonians take great pride in preserving the environment and have even developed city initiatives that protect the natural landscape of the area.

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