GODWIN BOWMAN PC



Board Certified, Civil Trial Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization

AV-Rated "Preeminent", Martindale-Hubbell

The University of Texas School of Law (J.D., 1968)

University of Oklahoma (B.A., 1965)

Lettered on tennis team

Practice Areas

- Commercial Litigation
- Securities Litigation
- Civil Appellate
- Employment Litigation
- Energy/Oil and Gas Litigation
- Bet the Company Litigation
- Eminent Domain and Zoning Litigation
- Environmental Litigation
- Wills, Probate and Estate Litigation





Bruce W. Bowman, Jr. Vice Chairman, Executive Vice President; Secretary, Executive Committee General Counsel

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Bruce Bowman, Jr., has successfully handled litigation on both the plaintiff and defendant sides for many years, primarily in business disputes. His work has been as diverse as recovering assets from trusts in prolonged trust and-bankruptcy litigation to defending trade secret allegations concerning oil field technology in State and Federal courts. He has also successfully defended directors, lawyers, accountants, financial advisors, and other professionals in many areas of business. In addition to trying hundreds of cases to verdict, Bruce has handled numerous arbitrations, mediations and appeals through the Texas Supreme Court, Federal Appeals Courts and to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Reflecting the excellence of his practice, Bruce has been chosen among the *Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America*, is a 18-time recipient of *Texas Super Lawyer* honors from Thomson Reuters, has been rated AV-Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell, the highest peer rating for legal skills and ethics, and has achieved a 10.0 rating from AVVO, its highest attorney rating.

Bruce is Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He received a J.D. from The University of Texas School of Law in 1968 and a B.A. from the University of Oklahoma in 1965

Representative Experience

Commercial Litigation

- Successfully tried a change of control of a public company case in Chancery Court in Delaware and prevailed on appeal
- Represented major hospital in connection with class action involving defective product and damages...Successful on appeal

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- Represented major hospital in connection with qui tam litigation claims for wrongful termination and related matters
- Represented public company in trade secret trial involving a foreign oil field
- Handled multiple arbitrations involving both FINRA & AAA
- Lead attorney in estate & trust litigation, successfully recovering multi-millions of dollars for clients covering breaches of trust and over 20 related lawsuits and sustained appeal
- Successfully defended lawyer in 14-year malpractice suit involving alleged real estate and tax malpractice
- Representation of a company in contractual indemnity dispute Cercla and environmental litigation
- Part of trial team in Deepwater Horizon Multi District Litigation

Appellate

- Successfully litigated standard for lawyer disqualification on suing former clients in Texas Supreme Court
- Defended banks in lender liability suit successfully through the Supreme Court of Texas
- Defeated class certification on appeal

Securities

- Represented brokers/dealers in connection with securities law claims
- Defended Financial Advisors in court proceedings and depositions
- Defended brokers, dealers and lawyers on claims for violation of Federal & State securities law
- Represented CitiCapital in major class action litigation

Presentations and Publications

- Speaker, *Multiple Party Problems,* Litigation and Trial Tactics, 2003
- Speaker, *Complex Litigation Strategies,* Litigation and Trial Tactics, 2002
- Speaker, *Jurisdiction and Venue in State & Federal Courts,* Advanced Civil Trial Course, State Bar of Texas, 2001

Honors and Awards

- Board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America, 2023-2024
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America, 2017-2019
- *Texas Super Lawyers*, Thomson Reuters, 2003-2006, 2008-2010, 2013-2023
- Life Fellow, Dallas Bar Association
- AV-Rated "Preeminent", Martindale-Hubbell
- Rated 10.0 "Superb", by AVVO
- Fellow, Texas Bar Association

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Admissions

- State Courts of Texas
- Supreme Court of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth and Eleventh Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Tax Court

Legal Memberships

- American Bar Association
- American Board of Trial Advocacy
- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas County Bar Association: Strategic Planning Committee, Business Litigation Section; Vice-Chairman, Chairman, Legal Ethics Committee
- State Bar of Texas, Committee on Texas Lawyers Creed
- Texas Bar Foundation