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Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law (J.D., 2005)

Southern Methodist University Computer Law Review and Technology Journal (2003-2005)

University of Texas at Austin (B.A., 2000)

Practice Areas

- Banking and Financial Institution Litigation
- Energy/Oil and Gas Litigation
- Wills, Probate, Estate Planning and Estate Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Family Law Litigation

RATED BY Super Lawyers W. Ira Bowman

Avvo Rating 10.0 William Ira Bowman Top Attorney

Ira Bowman focuses his practice primarily on the effective resolution of legal disputes in commercial matters. He represents clients in both the prosecution and defense of a wide range of issues in State and Federal courts. Legal issues Ira regularly handles include contract disputes, business related torts, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, partnership disputes, antitrust, copyright and patent litigation, conversion, deceptive trade practices, breach of warranty, franchiser / franchisee disputes and negligence. Ira also handles a wide range of family law matters, including divorce, modifications, property division, conservatorship and surrogacy agreements.

Ira has acted as first and second chair in many trials and has argued before the 5th District Court of Appeals in Dallas. Ira has tried multiple-week long jury trials under both Texas and foreign laws. In addition to his trial experience, Ira has handled many more mediation and arbitration matters for clients dealing with multiple disparate issues in various jurisdictions.

Reflecting the excellence of his practice, Ira was promoted to Executive Vice President in October 2022. He has been honored six times with selection to Thomson Reuters' Texas Rising Stars, honoring the top young attorneys in Texas. Additionally, he has achieved a 10.0 rating from AVVO.com, its highest attorney rating.

Ira received a J.D. from Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law in 2005 and a B.A. from the University of Texas at Austin in 2000. Ira and his wife, Laci, have four children who further continue to hone Ira's negotiation skills at home.

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Representative Experience
Commercial Litigation

- Represents clients in both the defense and prosecution of complex commercial litigation disputes
- First and Second Chair in Trials. Jury Trials and Bench Trials, as well as Arbitrations and Mediations

Family Law

- Represents clients in both the defense and prosecution of divorces including property division and conservatorship matters.

Honors and Awards

- Legal 500 US City Elite, 2026
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America, 2023-2027
- 7-time selection to the list of Thomson Reuters' Texas Super Lawyers, 2020-2026
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Family Lawyers in America, 2024-2027
- 6-time selection to the list of Thomson Reuters' Texas Rising Stars, 2010, 2013-2017
- Stars, *Texas Monthly* and *Super Lawyers Magazine*, 2010, 2013-2017
- Godwin Pappas Mock Trial Championship, Team Member, 2005 & 2006
- ATLA Mock Trial Competition, 2003-2005
- Michigan State University Mock Trial Competition 2003
- "Superb" 10-rating from AVVO.com

Admissions

- State Courts of Texas
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas

Legal Memberships

- Association of Trial Lawyers of America
- Co-Chairman, DAYL Lawyers Promoting Diversity Committee, 2009
- DAYL Foundation, Fellow
- Dallas Bar Association
- Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court, Associate
- State Bar of Texas