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Mark is a commercial litigator with a broad-based practice that enables him to serve a diverse and growing client base. Mark provides practical and effective counseling to his clients in an attempt to effectively and efficiently prosecute or defend litigation. Mark's legal experience includes managing all aspects of litigation from pre-lawsuit through appeal. He represents a variety of publicly-traded and privately-held corporations, investor funds, and individuals. He has considerable experience litigating cases involving theft of trade secrets and confidential information, labor and employment matters, intellectual property, work-outs, construction and liens, securities fraud, fiduciary obligations, contract and partnership disputes, and products liability.

Mark served as a clerk for U.S. District Court Judge Robert G. James (W.D. La.) after law school. Mark grew up in East Texas and South Arkansas and is a graduate of the SMU Dedman School of Law and Louisiana Tech University. He and his wife, Karin, live in Dallas with their three children.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented international airport in lawsuit brought under Sherman Antitrust Act
- Represented multiple banks in patent infringement litigation
- Represented transportation company in wage and hour litigation
- Represented transportation company in proceeding before the National Labor Relations Board
- Represented hospital chain in breach of fiduciary duty and misappropriation of trade secrets matter
- Represented contractor in construction-related cases
- Represented financial services company in breach of contract and garnishment action
- Counseled special litigation committee in its investigation of shareholder derivative allegations regarding alleged improper accounting practices
- Represented corporation in defense of shareholder derivative action brought pursuant to Texas state law; drafted briefs in state trial and appellate courts
- Represented food manufacturer in trade secret dispute
- Represented manufacturer against lawsuit brought pursuant to federal environmental laws
- Represented oil and gas corporation in *qui tam* action regarding alleged environmental contamination in the Gulf of Mexico
- Prosecuted breach of contract and fraud action against rent-to-own corporation
- Represented foreign tire manufacturer in defense of products liability action

PRACTICES

Commercial Litigation
Litigation

EDUCATION

JD, 2002, Southern
Methodist University
Dedman School of Law,
*SMU International Law
Review*, Hatton W.
Summers Scholarship
Recipient
BA, 1999, Louisiana
Tech University

ADMISSIONS

Texas 2002
All Texas State Courts
US District Court for the
Northern District of
Texas
US District Court for the
Southern District of
Texas
US District Court for the
Eastern District of Texas

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- Participated in arbitration on behalf of national media corporation in employment contract dispute

PUBLICATIONS

- "Be Careful on Break: Privilege and the Deposition Recess," *Headnotes*, Dallas Bar Association (December 2011)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Texas Rising Star, *Texas Monthly* (2012)

AFFILIATIONS

- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

PRESS RELEASES

- Andrews Kurth Lawyers Recognized as 2012 Texas Rising Stars (March 9, 2012)