

# J. Andrew Norman

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#### **Practices**

Corporate

Insurance

Litigation

Real Estate

Oil and Gas

**Estate Planning and Probate** 

Banking and Commercial Lending

#### **Education**

**J.D.** University of Houston Law Center, 2008

**B.S.** Texas Christian University, 2005, *cum laude* 

**Bar Admissions** 

Andrew Norman practices in the areas of commercial litigation, insurance defense, corporate governance, and business transactions. He represents a wide range of businesses and individuals on matters related to commercial transactions, real estate, oil and gas, and banking and commercial lending, including the formation of business entities, asset sales and acquisitions, and general contract negotiation, preparation and enforcement. Additionally, Mr. Norman has experience representing insurance clients in first-party and third-party claims, including property damage and personal injury. Mr. Norman also represents clients in commercial litigation in federal and state courts. He has experience in advising individuals and families in matters involving estate planning and probate.

Mr. Norman was chosen by his peers for inclusion in the List of Top Attorneys in 2013 for Civil Litigation and in 2012 and 2014-2020 for Business and Commercial Law in *Fort Worth, Texas Magazine*. Mr. Norman's peers also chose him as a top attorney for Business Law in *360 West Magazine* in 2020.

State of Texas, 2008

State of Oklahoma, 2017

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

### Memberships

State Bar of Texas

Oklahoma Bar Association

Tarrant County Bar Association

Tarrant County Young Lawyers Association

Eldon B. Mahon Inn of Court

### **Professional Recognition**

List of Top Attorneys for Business Law in 360 West Magazine, 2020

List of Top Attorneys for Civil Litigation (2013) and Business and Commercial Law (2012, 2014-2020), Fort Worth, Texas Magazine

Editor, Business and Tax Law Journal, University of Houston Law Center

## **Experience**

Successfully negotiated the purchase of a local chain of apparel and water sport equipment stores in South Texas.

Successfully negotiated, on behalf of the landowners, a real property lease with an on-going manufacturing business.

Successfully negotiated a surface use agreement with oil and gas operator reserving the wind rights for 100+ acres of land in West Texas.

Successfully negotiated several pipeline and road easements for clients all over Texas.

Successfully negotiated oil and gas leases for multiple clients with 100+ acres in North, South and West Texas ranging in value from the tens of thousands to over three million dollars.

Successfully resolved multiple title issues for separate clients with minerals in North Dakota.

Cantel Investments, LLC v. Colony Court Partners, LLC, 96th District Court, Tarrant County, Texas Successfully defended commercial landlord against attempt by the former tenant to obtain an injunction

preventing the landlord from leasing the property to a new tenant.

Lykken v. Kindswater, 96th District Court, Tarrant County, Texas

Obtained a summary judgment for seller of home against purchaser seeking damages for breach of contract for presence of oil and gas lease covering the property and known to purchaser.

Graham v. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, et.al., United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas

Successfully settled a life insurance beneficiary dispute between the son and brother of the decedent in a case alleging forgery of the beneficiary designation form.

Sandridge v. Aetna Life Insurance Company, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Successfully settled a life insurance beneficiary dispute between current wife and ex-wife of decedent.

#### **Publications**

"5th Circuit Interprets Departing Lawyer Rule on Eve of Revision by Texas Supreme Court," *Jefferson County Bar Journal* (October 2009)

## **Community**

Member of the Board of Directors for CASA of Tarrant County, Inc. - and a Pull for Kids Clay Shoot Founding Committee Member.

Breakfast with Saint NICU as Committee Member benefiting the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth.