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Practices

Insurance

Litigation

Education

J.D. Texas Tech School of Law, 1992

B.A. Southern Methodist University, 1988

Bar Admissions

State of Texas, 1992

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas

U. S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Western District of Elaine Morris has substantial experience representing insurance companies in insurance coverage opinions and related litigation. She researches, analyzes and prepares coverage opinions for both domestic and international insurers, including Underwriters participating in the Lloyd's of London insurance market.

Ms. Morris analyzes both the legal and practical ramifications of policy language development, claims handling procedures and insurance coverage issues. She advises clients on a variety of insurance policies including property, liability, casualty, motor truck cargo, commercial property, residential homeowner's, mobile homeowner's, commercial general liability, flood, business income loss, motor vehicle, directors and officers liability, reinsurance, and errors and omissions.

Experience

Brit UW Ltd. v. Briones, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 88844 (W.D. Tex. 2013)

United States District Court granted summary judgment in favor of Lloyd's syndicate interpreting who is an insured and finding no coverage.

Liberty Corporate Capital v. Briggs, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78971 (S.D. Tex. 2010)

United States District Court granted summary judgment finding no coverage based on auto exclusion in a fraternity policy.

Texas

Memberships

State Bar of Texas

Tarrant County Bar Association

Fellow, Tarrant County Bar Foundation

Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation *Alea London v. Bickford*, 627 F.Supp. 2d 763 (S.D. Tex. 2009)

United States District Court granted summary judgment finding no coverage for related entity that was not named insured.

Bruton v. Underwriters at Lloyd's, London, 283 S.W.3d 502 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth 2009, no pet.) Dispute under trucking policy over rights to salvage.

Liberty Corporate Capital, Ltd. v. Cross, No. 1:08-CV-791 (W.D. Tex. 2009)

Wrongful death liability claim for defense and indemnity excluded by certain policy endorsements.

Lazo v. RSI international, Inc., No. 14-06-00432 (Tex.App.—Houston [14th Dist.] 2007, no pet.) Interpretation of proper cancellation by a premium company under a commercial general liability policy.

Presentations

Responding to and Handling Property Damage Claims, Seminar for Delta Lloyd's Insurance Company of Houston, Texas

We've Got You Covered: Avoiding E&O Pitfalls, Texas Surplus Lines Association (TSLA)

Your Clients Have Liability Insurance, But Will They Have Coverage?, University of Texas School of Law Seminar (2002)

Money Talks: Don't Let It Say Goodbye CRC Insurance Service, Inc. Miami, Florida (2017)