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You aren't in business to litigate.

At Haynes and Boone, our lawyers start with listening to clients about how litigation relates to their overall business goals. We look at the big picture, considering long-term impacts to our clients' businesses. It's what sets us apart from other large national law firms and from many litigation-only boutiques.

We handle commercial litigation of all sizes and we know that any matter can be "bet-the-company," depending on the client. Our unique approach ensures that the right team handles the right case. Whether the case is a contract dispute, a class action, a regulatory issue or is industry-specific, we are always mindful of a client's need for efficiency and budget certainty.

Clients recognize the difference, noting in *Chambers USA* how they value Haynes and Boone's "ability to be proactive and to manage our expectations. They've done a great job of developing relationships with our businesspeople."

Our clients include industry leaders, such as Halliburton and AT&T, as well as high-visibility clients like the National Football League. We also represent a wide variety of other clients, including banks, financial services companies, manufacturers, technology and software companies, real estate firms and nonprofit institutions, among others.

A client-centered approach to litigation requires our lawyers to be creative, flexible and practical, often working in teams. Our sophisticated litigators can rely on and collaborate with a deep bench of talented Haynes and Boone lawyers, with nationwide reach, when a case demands it, but we recognize that needless discovery and scorched-earth tactics rarely reach positive results for clients.

While most litigation purposely never proceeds to trial, when it has, our skilled and experienced trial teams have obtained numerous successful jury and bench verdicts for our clients. Additionally, our nationally recognized appellate team works closely with our trial lawyers to ensure a complete and proper record is preserved at trial, in case an appeal is filed.

Our clients benefit from the diverse experience and broad scope of our litigation practice. In high-stakes, complex business litigation, especially in the federal courts, we know the judges and opposing counsel, and they know us. About a quarter of our litigators have been judicial clerks, and many of our team participate actively in – as well as lead – local, state and national bar groups and Inns of Court.