

Jesse Gelsomini Elected a Fellow of Texas Bar Foundation

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Haynes Boone Partner [Jesse Gelsomini](#) has been elected as a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation in 2022. It is the latest honor for Jesse, who has long been recognized among the best lawyers in the nation for Employee Benefits Law.

Texas Bar Foundation Fellows are chosen for their outstanding professional achievements and their demonstrated commitment to the improvement of the justice system throughout Texas. Each year, one-third of 1% of Texas lawyers are invited to become Fellows. Once nominees are selected, they must be elected by the Texas Bar Foundation Board of Trustees.

The Texas Bar Foundation is the largest charitably funded bar foundation in the U.S. Founded in 1965, the organization uses contributions from its members to build a strong justice system for all Texans and has distributed more than \$18 million to help nonprofit groups with a range of justice-related programs and services.

Jesse helps clients in all industries efficiently resolve matters related to employee benefits, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and executive compensation. He brings more than three decades of focused legal experience to his work designing, drafting, implementing, and administering employee benefits plans and executive compensation arrangements of all types. His clients range from privately owned businesses to governmental employers to Fortune 500 corporations.

Jesse was named the 2021 "Lawyer of the Year" in the Houston metropolitan area for employee benefits (ERISA) law by *Best Lawyers* (Woodward/White, Inc.) He was also included in the *Lawdragon 500* Leading U.S. Corporate Employment Lawyers listing, Lawdragon Inc., 2021; recognized in *Chambers USA*, Chambers and Partners, for Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation (Houston), 2019-2021; recognized in *Legal 500 U.S.*, 2020-2021; and named one of *The Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White, Inc., for Employee Benefits Law, 2006-2021.

Haynes Boone is an international corporate law firm with offices in Texas, New York, California, Charlotte, Chicago, Denver, Washington, D.C., London, Mexico City and Shanghai, providing a full spectrum of legal services in energy, healthcare, life sciences, technology, financial services and private equity. With 600 lawyers, Haynes Boone is ranked among the largest U.S.-based firms by *The National Law Journal*, *The American Lawyer* and *The Lawyer*. It was recognized for excellence in the BTI Consulting Group's 2021 "A-Team" report, which identifies the law firms that in-house counsel commend for providing superior client service.