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PRACTICES Litigation, Trademarks, Procurement and Supply Chain Management, Food, Beverage and Restaurant

George Graves' litigation and trial experience includes representing clients across a broad span of industries, from government contractors to healthcare businesses to the debt resolution industry. Whether a case involves trademark matters, partnership disputes, or real estate issues, George has the experience and knowledge to navigate the litigation process in both state and federal court.

A Haynes and Boone lawyer since graduating law school, George's practice primarily focuses on commercial litigation, including business torts and contract matters. George has previously assisted in the defense of clients in fraud and breach of fiduciary matters, and regularly represents clients in matters as varied as fraud claims asserted by a former subcontractor to property tax disputes before the Dallas County tax courts. In addition to general commercial litigation, George has substantial experience litigating trademark matters in federal court as well as before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. George recently assisted in the successful defense of a Chinese intellectual property firm, resulting in the client retaining ownership of its trademark from its former marketing agent.

Successfully arguing the merits of his clients' case is only part of the battle, as adverse parties in litigation often attempt to exploit the procedural rules in order to gain leverage. George has therefore spent a substantial portion of his career fighting for his clients against these tactics and ensuring he finds the best possible position to prevail on their disputes. In doing so, George has defended clients in federal court against motions to compel arbitration, assisted in forming strong legal arguments during the preliminary injunction and summary judgment phases of litigation, and drafted motions for attorneys' fees and costs at the resolution of litigation. George also has substantial experience in helping clients resolve their issues through alternative dispute methods such as mediation.

A native resident of Dallas, George stays active in the community and local high school, college, and law school alumni groups. George also continues to hone his litigation skills in the community, including volunteering his time at the Arlington City Attorney's office in the summer of 2014.

Professional and Community Activities

- Dallas Bar Association
 - Dallas Association of Young Lawyers
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QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law, 2010, *with honors*; Administrative Editor, *The Review of Litigation*
- B.A., Communication and Theatre, Wake Forest University, 2005

ADMISSIONS

- Texas

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico
 - U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
 - U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
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SELECTED CLIENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Successfully defended client in federal court against motions to compel arbitration.
- Representing international client in federal trademark litigation against allegations of infringement and unjust enrichment.
- Defended clients in state tax court against allegations of delinquent property taxes.
- Represented national debt-settlement corporation in defending and asserting claims of professional malpractice, fraud, breach of contract, and breach of fiduciary duty against its former attorneys.
- Defended leading fast-food chain against allegations of breach of lease agreement and fraud.
- Represented clients in forcible entry and detainer suits in Dallas County, Texas.
- Drafted successful motions for attorneys' fees and costs while representing franchisor against former franchisee in trademark dispute.
- Defended Australian mineral exploration company against allegations of breach of contract and quantum meruit in Dallas County District Court.
- Represented out-of-state clients in domesticating and enforcing foreign judgments in the State of Texas.
- On a pro bono basis, collaborated with the non-profit Human Rights Initiative to assist a client in applying for a visa under the federal Violence Against Women Act.