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PRACTICES
Litigation and Dispute Resolution | Appellate

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David D. Hornbeak is a Houston litigation attorney who focuses his practice on complex commercial and business litigation in state, federal and arbitration venues both in trial courts and on appeal. Mr. Hornbeak represents clients in a wide variety of industry sectors, including energy, healthcare, insurance and financial services. Mr. Hornbeak also has extensive experience representing parties in high-stakes disputes involving business dissolutions and acquisitions.

Mr. Hornbeak is a member of the firm's Energy & Natural Resources Industry Group and represents clients throughout the energy industry, including on matters involving offshore projects, royalty disputes, environmental claims, oil field operations, labor and employment, property damage to oil field equipment as well as litigation of claims arising out of Winter Storm Uri.

In the financial services industry, Mr. Hornbeak defends credit services organizations, credit access businesses, banks, creditors, debt buyers and third-party collateral recovery companies in financial litigation involving alleged violations of city ordinances; Texas state laws such as the Certificate of Title Act, Deceptive Trade Practices Act (DTPA), Texas Debt Collection Act (TCDA), and other provisions of the Texas Business and Commerce Code and Texas Finance Code; and federal laws, including the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA).

In the healthcare industry, Mr. Hornbeak has represented health insurers, plan administrators, preferred provider organizations, health maintenance organizations, fiduciaries and claims administrators in all aspects of managed care litigation. Mr. Hornbeak is well versed in the complexity associated with recovering plan overpayments from providers due to fraudulent medical billing schemes and practices.

Mr. Hornbeak regularly handles multimillion-dollar commercial matters before and after litigation ensues. He has extensive experience in matters involving alleged violations of trade-secret statutes (state and federal), alleged violations of non-compete and non-solicitation agreements, commercial fraud and maritime contractual disputes.

Prior to joining Holland & Knight, Mr. Hornbeak was a litigator with a Texas-based law firm in its Houston-area office. While there, he represented a diverse group of clients on matters pertaining to business disputes, insurance coverage, subrogation and construction defect.

During law school, Mr. Hornbeak served as a judicial intern to the Honorable Terry Jennings of Texas First District Court of Appeals. He also worked as a pro bono mediator throughout the Houston area and served as a coach on his law school's International Baseball Arbitration Competition team, a moot court-type competition based on Major League Baseball salary arbitration proceedings.

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Credentials

Education

- University of Houston Law Center, J.D.
- Baylor University, B.A., Political Science and Speech Communication

Bar Admissions/Licenses

Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas

Memberships

- Houston Young Lawyers Association (HYLA), 2016-Present
- Houston Bar Association, 2017-Present
- International Justice Mission, Congressional District Mobilizer, 2019-2022

Honors & Awards

- Rising Star, Texas Super Lawyers magazine, 2024
- Holland & Knight Pro Bono All-Star, 2020, 2021
- The Ben DeVries Achievement Award, Alternative Dispute Resolution, 2017