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education

South Texas College of Law Houston (J.D., 2001)

University of St. Thomas (B.A., Political Science,
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admissions

Texas

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of
Texas

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District
of Texas

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District
of Texas

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District
of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of
Texas

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of
Texas

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of
Texas

U.S. District Court for the Western District of
Texas

industries

Clients have asked me, “how does the weird stuff seem to find you?” I enjoy tackling tough issues, tough opponents, and even vexatious litigants. We don’t back down from a fight. Clients also appreciate my straightforward demeanor. I break down what’s good and bad about each case so we can parse through the nonsense and gray areas to establish a black and white set of facts. I know the meaning of a dollar and I work economically to protect my client’s bottom line.

Branch Sheppard handles real estate, financial services, and insurance representation, and almost every permutation therein. His practice also extends to business and commercial litigation, probate and estate planning, insurance defense, and transactional real estate and contractual matters. Branch works on matters in state, federal, appellate, and bankruptcy courts, with a particular familiarity with the Texas judiciary.

In the broad real estate context, Branch and his team handle title work and disputes, foreclosures evictions, real estate litigation, and work for homeowners associations. He also

Financial Services
Real Estate

services

Bankruptcy
Commercial Litigation
Consumer Financial Services Litigation
Insurance Defense and Coverage
Litigation
Wills, Trusts, and Estates

affiliations

- Houston Bar Association
- Houston Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys
- State Bar of Texas

works on transactions involving commercial and residential investment properties, clearing title issues and managing acquisition and closings.

In his financial services practice, Branch represents large banking institutions, lenders, loan servicers, community banks, owner financiers, and hard money lenders. Such representation includes, without limitation, end-to-end representation from compliance to default, foreclosure, eviction, collections, bankruptcy, clouds on title, loss mitigation, and litigation.

Another aspect of Branch's practice includes representing secured and unsecured creditors in Chapter 7, 11, and 13 bankruptcy matters. He and his team handle matters ranging from standard proofs of claim, motions for relief from stay, and objections in Chapter 13 proceedings to more complex and hotly litigated adversary proceedings. Branch and his team also represent secured creditors in the more nuanced reverse mortgage space from straightforward foreclosures to complex litigation.

In Branch's estate planning and probate practice, he equips business owners and families with the tools they need to operate and plan for their future. This includes drafting wills, powers of attorney, family trusts, and/or succession planning, and other general business and family concerns.