

Brent M. Rubin

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When a client encounters a problem, out-ofthe-box advice doesn't cut it. I work to craft creative and efficient solutions that take my client's goals to heart. Every case gets my thorough attention. That helps me plot effective—and often innovative—strategies and arguments that achieve the best results for my client.

Brent Rubin advocates for individuals, businesses, and government entities in litigation at the trial and appellate levels. Brent's practice encompasses complex business disputes, including non-compete/non-solicitation issues, insurance coverage, and real estate and construction matters.

Brent represents both plaintiffs and defendants in claims of breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, fraud, and tortious interference. He has represented clients as first-chair trial counsel and has presented oral argument on appeal. He has also drafted, argued, and won dispositive motions in both state and federal court and has substantial experience with motions to dismiss under the Texas Citizens Participation Act, Texas's anti-SLAPP statute. Additionally, Brent assists the firm's clients with immigration issues.

A highly effective communicator, Brent uses his writing and oral advocacy skills to advance his clients' interests. He has a particular fondness for appellate work and enjoys taking on thorny and weighty legal issues and carefully navigating them to persuade courts. Before joining the firm, Brent gained valuable experience while



clerking for the Honorable Priscilla R. Owen on the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Brent relishes the opportunity to try cases. His calm, steady presence and thoughtful manner serve his clients well in the courtroom.

As a Dallas native, Brent is committed to serving his community. He serves as the Vice-Chair of the Dallas City Plan Commission as the mayor's appointee, where he weighs in on essential land use issues and helps visualize the city's future. As a member of the Plan Commission, he serves the chair of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Committee, which is charged with updating and rewriting the City's ForwardDallas Comprehensive Plan. He also serves on the Executive Committee of the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas.

Significant Matters

- Prevailed in bankruptcy court trial on plaintiff's malicious prosecution claim, with court issuing findings of fact that client was innocent of offenses of which he was falsely accused and arrested.
- Obtained a jury verdict and permanent injunction in clients' favor enforcing deed restrictions, as well as a six-figure attorneys' fees award in full amount requested from court.
- Obtained affirmance from Texas Court of Appeals of an order awarding a court-appointed receiver fees of less than 2% of the amount receiver had requested.
- Won motion and renewed motion to dismiss federal Defend Trade Secrets Act claims against clients by former employer, with court granting renewed motion with prejudice.
- Obtained writ of mandamus in Texas Court of Appeals vacating trial court order requiring production of privileged documents.
- Obtained dismissal of slander of title claim against client through anti-SLAPP motion to dismiss.
- Successfully appealed pro bono client's decree of divorce because trial court deviated from mediated settlement agreement, with Texas Court of Appeals rendering modified judgment in client's favor.
- Defeated anti-SLAPP motion seeking to dismiss client's malicious prosecution claim and obtained monetary sanctions against defendant for filing frivolous motion.
- Obtained affirmance from Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals of order compelling arbitration in employment dispute.
- Obtained a jury verdict and permanent injunction in clients' favor enforcing deed restrictions, as well as a six-figure attorneys' fees award in full amount requested from court.
- Obtained writ of mandamus vacating trial court order requiring production of privileged documents.
- Obtained dismissal of slander of title claim against client through anti-SLAPP motion to dismiss.
- Successfully appealed pro bono client's decree of divorce because trial court deviated from mediated settlement agreement, with court of appeals rendering modified judgment in client's favor.
- Defeated anti-SLAPP motion seeking to dismiss client's malicious prosecution claim and obtained monetary sanctions against defendant for filing frivolous motion.



Areas of Focus

Industries

- Financial Services
- Public Entities
- Real Estate and Construction
- Transportation and Infrastructure

Services

- Insurance Coverage
- Appeals and Analysis
- Employment
- Litigation and Disputes
- Noncompete and Trade Secrets
- Real Estate

Education

- University of Texas at Austin School of Law, J.D., 2014, highest honors
 - Vice-Chancellor; Order of the Coif
 - Texas Law Review, 2012-14; Notes Editor, 2013-14
- Washington University in St. Louis, A.B., 2009, with honors

Clerkships

• Clerk for the Honorable Priscilla R. Owen, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (2014-15)

Admissions

- Texas, 2014
- U.S. District Court Northern District Texas
- U.S. District Court Southern District Texas
- U.S. District Court Eastern District Texas
- U.S. District Court Western District Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit



Leadership

- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, Judiciary Committee Co-Chair, 2018-19; Leadership Class Member, 2018 19
- Dallas Bar Association, Memorial and Resolution Committee
- Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court, Associate, 2016-2017
- Dallas City Plan Commission, Commissioner, Vice Chair of Thoroughfare Committee
- Congregation Shearith Israel, Board of Directors, Chair of 20s and 30s Council
- Jewish Community Relations Council, Executive Committee Member
- · Greenhill School Alumni Association, Board Member
- Washington University Club of Dallas

Recognition

- Named to D Magazine's "Best Lawyers Under 40 in Dallas" List, 2024
- Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch, 2021-2023, Appellate Practice; Commercial Litigation
- Honored as a Top 100 Texas Up-and-Coming lawyer as published in Texas Monthly magazine, 2023
- Honored as a Texas Rising Star in Business Litigation as published in *Texas Monthly* magazine, 2019-2023



Speeches/Publications

- Co-Author, Restatement of Liability Insurance: What Does It Mean? Does It Matter?, The Risk Report, International Risk Management Institute (December 2018).
- Author, *Buchanan v. Warley* and the Limits of Substantive Due Process as Antidiscrimination Law, 92. Tex. L. Rev. 477 (2013).

Outside of Work

Brent enjoys spending time with his wife, trying new restaurants, and traveling. He also likes to explore local trails on his bike.