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The solution to effectively solve any client matter must be tailored to that client's wants and goals. I believe in a tactical approach to every matter that satisfies the client's overall objectives, whether that's thinking ahead to prevent an issue, negotiating a resolution to a dispute, or bringing or defending a lawsuit.

Chris works closely with clients to find effective business solutions to complex business disputes. Through his construction practice, Chris offers clients the full range of services from strategic counsel on transactional matters and project planning to resolving often complex disputes through negotiation, arbitration, or litigation. His extensive construction experience includes representing owners, developers, contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers in transactional and litigation matters involving contract negotiations, lien and payment bond issues, construction defects, professional liability for design professionals, as well as many other contract disputes.

As part of the commercial litigation practice group, Chris works with a range of business clients including regional and national corporations in telecommunications, agriculture, real estate, and finance industries, to resolve conflicts efficiently and effectively through pre litigation negotiations, litigation, arbitration, appeals, and alternative dispute resolution.

Chris graduated, cum laude, from Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. He received his Bachelor's degree with high honors in Government with a minor in Philosophy from New Mexico State University.

After graduating from law school, Chris clerked for the Honorable Justice Richard C. Bosson of the New Mexico Supreme Court.

Areas of Focus

Industries

- Hospitality
- Manufacturing
- Public Entities
- Real Estate and Construction
- Transportation and Infrastructure

Services

- Construction
- Litigation and Disputes
- Professional Liability
- Real Estate

Education

- Southern Methodist University, Dedman School of Law, J.D., 2014, cum laude
 - Dean's Scholarship recipient and Nelda Sanchez Adamson Endowed Scholarship recipient.
- New Mexico State University, B.A., 2010, with high honors
 - B.A. in Government with minor in Philosophy, with High Honors
 - Crimson Scholar
 - Outstanding Senior for the College of Arts and Sciences
 - Outstanding Senior for the Department of Government
 - Outstanding Senior for the Hispanic Faculty/Staff Caucus
 - Recipient of the Peirce and Barbara Hubbard Scholarship

Admissions

- Texas
- New Mexico
- U.S. District Court Eastern District Texas
- U.S. District Court Northern District Texas
- U.S. District Court District of New Mexico New Mexico

Leadership

- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers
- Dallas Regional Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals (Selected for LEAD YP 2018)
- State Bar of Texas

Recognition

- Texas Rising Star, *Super Lawyers* by Thomson Reuters, 2024
- Named to *D Magazine's* "Best Lawyers Under 40 in Dallas" List, 2024
- Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2024
- D Magazine Best Lawyers Under 40, 2023-24
- Texas Rising Stars, *Thomson Reuters*, published in *Texas Monthly*, 2018-2023
- Construction Lawyers Society of America, Associate Fellow

