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At the most basic level, it's fundamentally important for an attorney to understand every aspect of both the client's and the opposition's case. I'm not one to cut corners, and I familiarize myself with the details and nuances of each matter. At the same time, my depth of experience allows me to drill down to identify the important issues that are likely to resonate with a jury — as well as those that will not.

Skillfully litigating in a wide array of matters, Richard Rohan advocates for clients in a Texas-based practice that's national in scope. He handles arbitrations and trials stemming from business ownership disputes, directors and officers litigation, derivative and shareholder litigation, professional liability cases, and estate, probate, and guardianship disputes, among others.

Bringing a combination of intelligence, thoroughness, persuasiveness, and creativity to his practice, Richard is adept at thinking on his feet, both in and out of the courtroom. He takes the time to dig deep and reason things through — and then consider them again, often from a different angle. Fighting with integrity, he always ensures his clients' business objectives drive strategy.

Richard generally approaches cases as though they will be eventually tried or arbitrated, which best positions his client for trial or settlement. He gets inside the thought process of the opposing players, from principals to attorneys, which gives him the foresight to anticipate their next moves.

Pushing hard on his own cases' weakest spots, Richard identifies flaws with what might have initially seemed an

invulnerable position. By preparing for the worst-case scenario, he's ready for the opposition's strongest argument. Given his closeness to the case, he often finds that the other side hasn't discovered many of the issues that he has.

As Richard puts it, he doesn't "pull punches," either with the opposition, the tribunal, colleagues, or clients. He feels that his candor and unflinching honesty contribute to his success. Richard finds satisfaction knowing that his clients can trust his judgment, counsel, and advice, in addition to his litigation skills. Whether he's advising an entrepreneurial start-up or a large established corporation, Richard places a high priority on cultivating and maintaining lasting client relationships that foster a sense of loyalty on both sides.

Significant Matters

Constitutional Law

- Succeeded in persuading the Supreme Court of Texas to strike down Tarrant County prison chaplaincy program as violating the First Amendment Establishment Clause.

Oil and Gas

- Obtained unanimous jury verdict requiring oil and gas producer to offer \$40 million-interest in producing property to client pursuant to Area of Mutual Interest Clause.

Legal Malpractice

- Successfully defended attorney and law firm from malpractice claims arising out of real estate transactions involving Dallas design district.
- Successfully defended AmLaw 100 firm against claims of malpractice arising out of pre- and post-petition bankruptcy representation.

Contract/Governmental

- Obtained summary judgment in favor of appraisal district against claims of breach of contract, theft of trade secrets, and tortious interference in connection with software development agreement.
- Successfully defended corporation in arbitration against claim for earn-out payments following asset sale of telephone directory business.

Areas of Focus

Industries

- Art, Sports, and Entertainment
- Energy

- Family Wealth
- Non-Profit

Services

- Professional Liability
- Litigation and Disputes
- Securities and Directors & Officers

Education

- Harvard Law School, J.D., 1984, cum laude
- Harvard College, A.B., 1981, cum laude

Admissions

- Texas, 1984
- U.S. Supreme Court Texas
- 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
- U.S. Supreme Court

Recognition

- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent® Rating



Outside of Work

Richard and his wife enjoy their new roles as grandparents to two young kids. They also like to travel with friends, and Richard has recently picked up the sport of pickleball. In addition, he is heavily involved in his synagogue and



in the broader Jewish community in Dallas. In this capacity, he raises funds for charitable and educational organizations, occasionally sits on boards, and donates pro bono legal advice and services.

