

# Ted A. Huffman

## Partner

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### Practices

FOCUS: Litigation  
Antitrust and Competition  
Class Action Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
Consumer Finance Litigation and  
Regulatory Compliance  
Intellectual Property Litigation  
Patent Litigation and Patents  
Real Estate Litigation  
Securities Litigation

### Education

JD, Southern Methodist University Dedman  
School of Law  
BA, Vanderbilt University

### Bar Admissions

Texas

### Court Admissions

US Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit  
US District Court, Northern District of Texas  
US District Court, Eastern District of Texas  
US District Court, Southern District of Texas  
US District Court, Western District of Texas

### Community Involvements

Dallas Bar Association, Publications  
Committee, Co-Chair; Home Project  
Committee, Co-Vice Chair, in association  
with Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity  
DAYL Foundation, Life Fellow and  
Scholarship Committee  
Texas Bar Foundation, Fellow  
The William "Mac" Taylor American Inn of  
Court, Barrister

Ted Huffman represents clients in high-stakes business disputes and financial services litigation. His practice encompasses a wide range of cases, including those involving breaches of contract, securities law, corporate fraud, anticompetitive conduct, real property disputes, intellectual property rights, government enforcement actions and class action proceedings. Ted's clients appreciate his knowledge and conscientious approach to handling matters critical to their futures.

### A skilled, forward-thinking advocate

Ted takes on diverse and challenging commercial matters and has achieved a number of remarkable results in his career. Strategic, knowledgeable and focused, Ted is unafraid to go to court to secure the relief his clients need. He also approaches legal issues with business-focused objectives to reduce litigation risks and boost the likelihood of favorable outcomes, whether at trial or before.

Ted is regularly acknowledged for his work and experience in commercial litigation matters. *D Magazine* has recognized Ted as being among the Best Lawyers Under 40, and *Best Lawyers*® has included him multiple times on its list of Ones to Watch in America™. These recognitions demonstrate how clients and colleagues have come to value Ted's counsel.

Beyond his professional commitments, Ted actively engages in community service. He volunteers his time and serves on committees for organizations such as the Dallas Bar Association (DBA), the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers (DAYL), Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity and the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program (DVAP). Additionally, Ted serves as co-chair of the Dallas Bar Association's Publications Committee, in which he helps to edit the *Headnotes* publication.

Ted previously served as a judicial clerk for Chief Judge Barbara M.G. Lynn and as a judicial intern for Magistrate Judge Jeff Kaplan, both of the US

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The Honorable Barbara M.G. Lynn  
American Inn of Court, Former Associate  
and Alumni

The Honorable Patrick E. Higginbotham  
American Inn of Court, Former Associate  
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District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

## Representative Experience

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- Co-chaired a five-day administrative trial, after which the state's own hearing officer and a state trial court found — in a nearly unprecedented case — that the allegations of the state securities division were unsupported by the evidence.\*
- Represented a large Texas bank in a multi-million dollar fraud and breach of contract case against a third-party finance company, resulting in a more than \$8 million recovery.\*
- Represented an oil and gas company and its officers in defense of state securities law proceedings, which resulted in our clients (the defendants) obtaining a six-figure recovery *against the plaintiff*.\*
- Secured temporary injunction on behalf of \$4 billion bank against a checking account software company to protect \$600 million in customer checking account deposits held at the bank.\*
- Represented a regional bank in a post-merger fraud litigation against prior bank executive to secure a seven-figure recovery valued at two times actual economic damages.\*
- Represented a real estate developer in a U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals matter that resulted in an opinion from the Fifth Circuit vacating an SEC receivership and imposing important restrictions to protect parties in future SEC enforcement actions.\*
- Obtained temporary restraining order against a client competitor to enforce non-competition and non-solicitation covenants protecting client confidential information.\*
- Secured pre-answer case dismissals with zero liability findings in multiple FINRA investor actions.\*
- Obtained final judgments and other favorable rulings in case dispositive proceedings, including in cases of patent infringement, trade secrets theft,

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mergers and acquisitions litigation, common law fraud, securities fraud, business and contract disputes, receivership proceedings, labor and employment matters, real property litigation, and construction law.\*

- Prepared orders and initial memorandum opinions as a judicial law clerk in hundreds of civil and criminal matters, to be reviewed and revised by federal district court chief judge.\*
- Assisted appellate panel for United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in connection with oral argument preparation and initial opinion drafting for review and revision by panel judges.\*

\*Experience prior to Katten

## Recognitions

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*Recognized or listed in the following:*

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Ones to Watch
  - Commercial Litigation, 2022–2024
- Dallas Bar Association
  - Jo Anna Moreland Outstanding Committee Chair Award, Publications Committee, 2023
- *Dallas Regional Chamber*
  - Young Professionals' LEAD YP, 2021
- *Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program*
  - Outstanding Virtual Clinic Volunteer Attorney Award, 2022
  - Volunteer of the Month (August), 2021
- *D Magazine*
  - Best Lawyers Under 40, 2021–2024
- *E. Randolph Williams Award for Pro Bono Service, 2021*

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- *Hunton Andrews Kurth*
  - The Annual Litigation Writing Award
  - Best Legal Brief, 2021
- *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*
  - Texas, 2024

## News

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- Katten Attorneys Named to 2024 Super Lawyers Texas Rising Stars List (March 21, 2024)
- Banner Year for Katten on *D Magazine's* 2024 'Best Lawyers Under 40' List (January 11, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished by *Best Lawyers®* (August 17, 2023)
- Ted Huffman's Arrival at Katten Garners Coverage From *Law360*, *Bloomberg Law*, *Reuters* and More (July 25, 2023)
- Katten Dallas Office Grows With Litigation Partner (July 10, 2023)

## Publications

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- Supreme Court Finds CFPB Funding Constitutional (May 16, 2024)
- The Latest Chapter in the Government's War on Purported "Junk" Fees: The CFPB Moves to Define Overdraft Services as Credit and to Cap Fee Amounts (January 19, 2024)
- Privacy, Data and Cybersecurity *Quick Clicks* | Issue 11 (November 2023)
- New FTC Rule Requires Certain Financial Institutions to Report Loss of Unencrypted Customer Data (November 1, 2023)
- Junk or a Value-Added Service? Federal Regulators and the Biden Administration Go After "Junk" Fees (October 17, 2023)

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## **Presentations and Events**

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- The Honorable Barbara M.G. Lynn American Inn of Court (2019) | *Co-presenter* | *Intellectual Property Checklist for Non-Profits*
- The Honorable Barbara M.G. Lynn American Inn of Court (2019) | *Co-presenter* | *Trademark Law Update*
- US Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, In Chambers (2018) | *Co-presenter* | *Criminal Law Update*
- The Honorable Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court (2016) | *Co-presenter* | *Legal Jeopardy*