

# Andrew Edelman

Shareholder

**Practices:** Business Litigation; Energy Law; Appellate

Andrew Edelman represents clients in various state and federal civil trial and appellate matters, including commercial litigation, energy litigation, eminent domain and condemnation litigation, media litigation, personal injury litigation, and insurance coverage disputes. Andrew has experience in all phases of litigation and has tried cases to jury verdicts and argued before Texas courts of appeal. Prior to entering the practice of law, Andrew interned for U.S. District Judge Lee Yeakel of the Western District of Texas.



## Representative Experience

### Commercial Litigation

- Second chair trial counsel in trademark infringement and tortious interference lawsuit on behalf of pile hammer distributor, resulting in favorable settlement after the close of evidence
- Representing oilfield services company in complex commercial litigation concerning the delivery by rail of significant volumes of frac sand
- Represented world's leading industrial and medical gas supplier in a variety of commercial disputes
- Represented landlord in lease dispute in which the plaintiff claimed over \$10,000,000 in damages, resulting in favorable settlement
- Represented a marketing company and executive employee in a breach of contract dispute regarding international banking transactions with alleged damages in excess of \$1 billion

### Eminent Domain and Condemnation

- Representing oil and gas pipeline company in connection with condemnation/eminent domain administrative proceedings and subsequent litigation concerning 500-mile crude petroleum pipeline running from the Permian Basin to the Gulf Coast
- Representing oil and gas pipeline company in connection with litigation resulting from the acquisition by eminent domain of 504-mile natural gas liquids pipeline within Texas

### Energy

- Lead counsel representing an independent oil and gas company in multiple disputes concerning lease royalty payments
- Defended energy company in arbitration concerning alleged breaches of offshore oil and gas operating agreement concerning multi-billion-dollar offshore oil rig

### Personal Injury

- Defended media company against novel personal injury claims related to investigative journalism

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### Education

University of Texas School of Law

- J.D., 2009
- *with honors*
- Dean's Achievement Award
- Associate Editor, *Texas Review of Law and Politics*
- Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP Fall 2007 Mock Trial Competition, Finalist

Princeton University

- B.A., 2005

- Defended energy services company in significant personal injury claims arising from crash between train and bus
- Defended private security company in personal injury claims
- Defended publicly traded electrical equipment manufacturer in personal injury claims of independent contractor

### **Civil Rights**

- Obtained favorable jury verdict for client in a federal trial involving civil rights claims under 42 U.S.C. § 1983
- Defended the world's largest private corrections company in a wide variety of trial and appellate matters
- Obtained summary judgment for defendant in a civil rights lawsuit alleging First Amendment free exercise of religion claims

### **First-Party Insurance Litigation and Coverage Analysis**

- Represented numerous insurers, adjusting firms, and adjusters in high-exposure coverage/bad faith first-party commercial property claims arising from fires, hailstorms, windstorms, and water damage in state and federal courts throughout Texas, typically involving property damage and business interruption disputes
- Member of trial team for commercial property insurer in jury trial defending against breach of contract, fraud, and bad faith claims related to apartment complex fire, resulting in no liability finding and take nothing judgment on plaintiff's seven-figure claims
- Obtained summary judgment for independent adjuster in first party property insurance case involving bad faith claims
- Advised insurers, loss adjusting firms, and adjusters on a wide variety of complex coverage and claims issues and considerations

### **Appellate**

- Represented oil and gas pipeline company in mandamus appeal addressing the trial court's abatement of a special commissioners' hearing
- Represented media company in appeal of the client's Anti-SLAPP summary judgment, resulting in affirmance of the judgment on appeal
- Represented independent adjuster on appeal of summary judgment in client's favor of bad faith claims and presented oral argument to the Dallas court of appeals, resulting in affirmance of the judgment by the appellate court and the Texas Supreme Court
- Fifth Circuit briefing resulting in affirmance of summary judgment in an appeal concerning a Title VII employment discrimination claim
- Represented commercial property insurer in appeal of take nothing judgment obtained for client on breach of contract, fraud, and bad faith claims, resulting in affirmance of the judgment
- Represented world's largest private corrections company in an appeal of a case involving complex issues of administrative law

### **Professional & Community Service**

- Annual HYLFF Charity Golf Tournament Committee (Co-Chair)
- Houston Young Lawyers Foundation (Board of Trustees)
- Princeton University Alumni Schools Committee
- Houston Young Lawyers Association
- State Bar of Texas
- Houston Bar Association
- Texas Young Lawyers Association
- Houston Young Lawyers Foundation, Fellow
- Texas Bar Foundation, Fellow

## Awards & Recognition

- Texas Rising Star, Thomson Reuters, 2015-2019
- Houston's Top Lawyers, *H Texas*, 2014, 2016-2017

## Admissions

- Texas, 2009
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas