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Christian's extensive experience in business, construction, and energy litigation, coupled with his representation of clients in state and federal courts, and in front of domestic and international arbitration tribunals, makes him a trusted advocate for complex commercial matters.

OVERVIEW

Christian focuses his practice on business litigation, dispute resolution, construction law, and energy litigation. He represents a diverse range of clients, including subcontractors, general contractors, property owners, and businesses, in commercial contract disputes, fiduciary relations issues, and various construction disputes. Christian's extensive experience spans state and federal district courts, as well as domestic and international arbitration tribunals.

Christian assists clients throughout the litigation and arbitration processes, from pre-suit matters to trial and arbitration advocacy. His services include managing discovery, drafting and responding to pleadings, motion practice, preparing and defending depositions, conducting mediations and settlement negotiations, and working closely with expert witnesses. His comprehensive approach, ability to navigate complex legal challenges efficiently, dedication to understanding each client's unique needs, and commitment to achieving their goals help to ensure thorough preparation and strategic representation.

Christian also assists clients in negotiating all forms of construction contracts, including those involving developers, owners, architects, general contractors, subcontractors, and other service providers.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represents construction subcontractors in contract negotiations involving the sale, rental, and maintenance of construction equipment and construction services.
- Assists in the representation of property owners and general contractors in connection with negotiating terms of construction agreements.
- Assisted in the representation of a limited partnership and individual partner against claims of fraud and breach of fiduciary duty.
- Assisted in the representation of a royalty interest owner in litigation involving the interpretation of deed provisions.
- Assisted in the representation of an EPC contractor involved in a state regulatory board investigation.

- Assisted in securing the dismissal of all claims with prejudice against a property owner facing suit for misappropriation of funds and breach of contract.
- Assisted in the representation of a heating and air conditioning manufacturer in litigation with a component parts manufacturer involving claims for breach of contract and breach of warranty.
- Assisted in the representation of a fabrication company in a construction-based breach of contract litigation.
- Assisted a project owner in obtaining the release of liens asserted by various claimants.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*® Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation and Construction Law (2023-2026); Energy Law and Environmental Law (2026)
- *Super Lawyers*® Texas Rising Star, Construction Litigation (2023-2024)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

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- Litigation + Trial

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, State Bar of Texas
- Member, Houston Young Lawyers Association
- Member, Hispanic National Bar Association

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Stanford Law School, J.D., *associate editor, Stanford Law and Policy Review*, 2015
- Texas A&M University, B.S., *summa cum laude, dean's list, Phi Beta Kappa*, 2012

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Texas

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, “Obtaining Injunctive Relief in Commercial Disputes,” Locke Lord Litigation Breakfast Briefing, September 21, 2023.

PUBLICATIONS

- Author, “Can an Arbitrator Require Arbitration by Videoconference?,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, May 5, 2020.