

# Brenda F. Hasenzahl, Partner

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## Overview

Brenda is partner of the Dallas-Fort Worth office, and is regularly retained as counsel in all aspects of commercial and corporate litigation. Specifically, she actively defends commercial, toxic tort, construction defect, premises and products liability and commercial trucking and

transportation cases in both federal and state courts. Brenda also represents employers in a wide range of employment litigation including claims of discrimination, harassment and retaliation and those related to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). She assists employers in the coordinated response to charges of discrimination before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Texas Workforce Commission and other federal, state and local agencies.

As part of her real estate practice, Brenda has experience in the negotiation of commercial and retail leases, and handles all aspects of the acquisition of commercial real estate properties, including advisement of matters related to zoning modification and approvals.

## Experience

- Obtained significant nonsuit through non-party discovery on behalf of international fire protection and suppression company named in a water damages lawsuit due to an alleged improper and faulty

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## Practices

Construction Liability  
Employment and Labor  
Law  
General Liability  
Products Liability  
Toxic Tort

installation of the sprinkler system piping; aggressive discovery revealed acts of misconduct by a commercial property owner that had been documented by a non-party

- Managed, defended and resolved cases involving thousands of claimants for premises defendants and product manufacturers in trial courts throughout the state of Texas
- Served as co-counsel on behalf of a Fortune 500 client in relation to a gross negligence/wrongful death case resulting from a commercial construction site pending in Dallas County, Texas, in which the client was successfully dismissed prior to trial based on the development of strong motion practice and witness testimony
- Served as co-counsel in alleged asbestos and silica exposure cases pending throughout state courts in Texas
- Participation in a jury trial in Tarrant County, Texas on behalf of the defense of a national business owner, which resulted in a defense verdict, finding no negligence for her client
- Serves as outside counsel to a national trucking company, assisting in all aspects of transportation defense
- Serves as lead outside co-counsel for a publicly held national retailer with more than 3,500 stores, handling retail lease negotiations throughout the US

## Education

- Baylor Law School, JD, 1999
- Texas A&M University, BS, Economics, 1996, *cum laude*

## Admissions

- Texas
- United States District Courts: Northern District of Texas, Southern District of Texas

## Associations

- National Adoption Day for Tarrant County, Texas volunteer, 2016-2017

## Languages

- English

## Presentations/Publications

- Presenter, “The Nuts and Bolts of Premises and Products Liability – An Update,” Texas Paralegal Association (March 2016)

## Honors & Awards

- Previously selected for inclusion in the Texas Rising Stars list published by *Texas Monthly*
- Formerly listed as a Top Attorney in the *Fort Worth* magazine