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Current Employer-Title: Whitaker Chalk Swindle & Schwartz PLLC – A Managing Member

Profession: Attorney

Work History: Attorney, Whitaker Chalk Swindle & Schwartz PLLC, 1998-present (a Managing Member since 2007); Attorney, McLean & Sanders, PC, 1993-1998.

Experience: Majority of practice consists of representing clients in all manner of business disputes with an emphasis on large complex litigation and arbitrations. Represents a broad spectrum of clients including individuals to large publicly traded companies. Significant experience with complex disputes involving contracts, fraud, employment agreements, trade secrets, covenants not to compete, construction, real estate, leases, mineral interests, oil & gas, insurance coverage, personal injury, products liability, and health care. Has obtained multimillion dollar verdicts, arbitration awards, and settlements on behalf of clients and successfully defended clients against multimillion dollar claims. In addition, represents clients as outside general counsel on various matters and in connection with certain transactions and contracts.

Recognitions:

Recognized by Best Lawyers

Recognized as Power Attorney in 2014 by the *Fort Worth Business Press*.

Recognized by Texas Monthly as a Super Lawyer in Business Litigation from 2013 – 2021 and as a Texas Monthly Rising Star 2006 and 2008.

Recognized by Fort Worth Magazine as a top attorney in each year from 2002 through the present.

Recognized as “40 under 40” by *Fort Worth Business Press*, 2008.

AVVO rated Superior.

AV Rated Martindale Hubbell, Preeminent.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience: Served as sole neutral arbitrator or as a member of an arbitration panel in numerous cases (100+) involving commercial, business,

construction, real estate, and employment disputes. Member of the AAA National Roster of Neutrals since 2008 for the Commercial and Construction panels and member of the AAA Large Complex Case Panel since 2014. Training: AAA Arbitrator Performance and Demeanor: Meeting Participant Expectations 2018; AAA Red Flags and Risk Areas: Challenges to Arbitrator Authority, 2017; AAA Dealing With Difficult Attorneys in Arbitration, 2017; AAA Arbitrator Ethics & Disclosures, 2015; AAA Conducting Research and Investigations, 2014; AAA Principled Deliberations: Decision-Making Skills for Arbitrators, 2014; Neutrals Roundtable Regarding the Updated Commercial Rules, 2014; AAA Consolidation and Joinder in Construction Arbitration, 2013; AAA What We Have Here is a Failure to Communicate, 2012; AAA Regaining Speed and Economy in Dispute Resolution, 2011; AAA Arbitration Awards: Safeguarding, Deciding & Writing Awards, 2009; AAA Arbitration Fundamentals and Best Practices for New Arbitrators, 2008.

Speaking Engagements: Why Businesses Prefer to Arbitrate Their Disputes, 2016; “Arbitration From Arbitrator’s Perspective,” Tarrant County Bar Association Section of Business Litigation, 2014. Current Arbitration Practice: Users, Advocates and Arbitrators, 2013

Reported Opinions: *Great American Insurance Company d/b/a Great American Insurance Companies*, — S.W.3d —, No. 14-1007, 2017 WL 2623067 (Tex. June 16, 2017); *Aston Meadows, Ltd. v. Devon Energy Prod. Co.*, 359 S.W.3d 856 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth 2012, pet. denied

Professional Licenses: Admitted to the Bar: Texas, 1993; Arkansas, 1994; U.S. District Courts: Northern (1994) and Southern (2000) Districts of Texas; U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit (2006); U.S. Supreme Court (2006).

Professional Associations: State Bar of Texas (Sections: Alternative Dispute Resolution; Business Litigation; Construction; Intellectual Property; Litigation; Oil & Gas; Real Estate); Tarrant County Bar Association; American Bar Association; Tarrant County Bar Foundation; Texas Bar Foundation; AAA; American Health Lawyers Association.

State Bar Council Memberships: State Bar of Texas ADR Section Council Member (2013-2018).

Education: Southern Methodist University (BA, Business-1990); University of Houston (JD-1993). Associate Editor: *Houston Journal of International Law* (1993)