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Background

Brent Shellhorse was the Briefing Attorney to the Honorable Justice Terrie Livingston, Court of Appeals, Second District of Texas from 1998-1999. He joined Whitaker Chalk in 1999 and has extensive experience in helping companies and individuals with a wide array of commercial and complex litigation matters. Brent has worked on numerous cases involving trade secrets and covenants not compete, oil and gas leases, complex commercial disputes, collection matters and mechanic's liens.

As a former Briefing Attorney, Brent brings a unique, dual perspective to his work that allows him to understand both the legal and persuasive aspects of each case. His work writing briefs also helps him see and distill what's important to a case. With an appellate background, he is not only capable of handling a matter through final appeal, but also acts as a guide for his clients through the procedural aspects of their case.

Awards & Recognitions

Recognized as a [Super Lawyer](#) since 2023 to present. Super Lawyers is a Thomson-Reuters service printed in Texas Monthly.

Recognized by Fort Worth Magazine as a Top Attorney in each year from 2004 through 2024.

Recognized as a Top Attorney by 360 West Magazine 2018 to present

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Named a "Rising Star" for 2004, 2005, 2007, and 2008. Texas Super Lawyers Rising Star edition is a Thomson-Reuters service printed in Texas Monthly.

Areas of Practice

Litigation

- Real Estate
- Title & Ownership Issues
- Oil & Gas Disputes
- Mechanic's Liens

- Fraud
- Easements
- Contract Disputes
- Employment
- Trade Secrets & Confidential Information
- Covenants Not to Compete
- Business/Commercial
- Joint Venture & Partnership Issues
- Insurance Coverage
- Fiduciary Duty Claims
- DTPA Claims
- Contract Disputes
- Collections and Enforcement of Judgments

Civil Appeals

- State & Federal

Associations & Memberships

Texas Bar Foundation

State Bar of Texas

Tarrant County Bar Association

Appellate Section

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Education

- JD Texas Wesleyan School of Law, Summa Cum Laude (1998) Managing Editor Texas Wesleyan Law Review
- BBA University of Texas at Arlington (1995)

Bar/Court Admissions

- Texas Bar (1998)
- US District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- US District Court for the Western District of Texas
- US District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit