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PRACTICE AREAS

Personal Injury & Wrongful Death

Professional Liability Litigation

Complex Business Litigation

Intellectual Property Litigation

General Litigation

As a seasoned litigator, Mitchell Chaney's practice focuses on civil and commercial litigation. His career, spanning over 30 years, includes trying cases on both the federal and state level for leading manufacturers of automotive products, ATVs, firearms and other product liability cases in South Texas. Additionally, Mitchell has tried railroad crossing cases as well as legal malpractice cases on the defense side. Before joining McGinnis Lochridge he was a partner in his own firm in Brownsville, Texas and was the managing partner of his firm from 2009-2015.

Mitchell is also a lecturer at his alma mater, the University of Kansas School of Law.

Publications & Presentations

- Co-Author "*Recent Developments in Claims Against Lawyers and Ethics*" State Bar of Texas 40th Annual Advanced Civil Trial Law Seminar 2017
- Co-Author, "*Liability for Injuries to Trespassers*" The Railroad Litigator's Notebook Fourth Edition 2010 (2010)
- Author, "*Spoliation in Texas*", Texas Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
- Co-Author, "*Daubert Update: Admissibility of Expert Testimony in The Wake of Kumho Tire*", National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
- Co-Author, "*Trying the Automobile Injury Case in Texas*", National Business Institute, Inc.

Professional Associations & Community Involvement

- United States District Court Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, United States Magistrate Merit Selection Panel (1998, 2000)
- American Bar Association, Law Practice Management Section, Litigation Section
- National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
- Bar Association of Fifth Federal Circuit
- Supreme Court Historical Society
- Products Liability Advisory Council (Sustaining Member)
- Defense Research Institute, Lawyers Professionalism and Ethics Committee

- Kansas Bar Association
- Texas Association of Defense Counsel (Board of Directors, 2004-2006)
- Texas Bar Foundation (Life Fellow)
- State Bar of Texas, Special Assistant Disciplinary Counsel (1995)
- State Bar of Texas, Young Lawyers Association, District 15 (Director, 1989-1991)
- State Bar of Texas, Litigation Section Council Member (2015-Present)
- University of Kansas School of Law, Board of Governors
- Cameron County Bar Association (Director, 1988-1990)
- City of Brownsville, Heritage Council, Heritage Review Committee (1999-2001)
- City of Brownsville Heritage Council (President 1998-Present)
- City of Brownsville, Brownsville Citizens Advisory Committee (1992-1996)

Professional Recognition

- AV© Rated Martindale-Hubbell since 1986
- Texas Super Lawyers List, a Thomson Reuters service, Civil Litigation (2004 - 2020)
- Listed in Best Lawyers©, (2009 - 2021)

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals 5th Circuit
- U.S. District Courts for the Western, Northern, Eastern and Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court District of Kansas

Bar Admissions

- Texas
- Kansas
- Missouri

Education/Professional Background

- University of Kansas School of Law, J.D., 1981
- University of Kansas, B.A., 1978