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PRACTICE AREAS

*Complex Business
Litigation*

*Estate, Trust & Probate
Litigation*

Estate Planning & Probate

Oil & Gas / Energy Litigation

Labor & Employment

*Professional Liability
Litigation*

General Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Oil & Gas

For over forty-seven years, Steve has been actively engaged in the trial of general civil and business litigation matters. In 1992, Steve was appointed by the Supreme Court of Texas to the Supreme Court of Texas Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Steve served as a member of the Board until his term expired in 2000. While a member of the Board, he participated in deciding several thousand classification appeals. Mr. Watkins served as Chairman of the Board during the years 1994 through 1999. While Chairman, Steve presided over several hundred compulsory, reciprocal, probation revocation and disability cases.

Professional Associations & Community Involvement

- Texas Bar Foundation, Life Fellow
- State Bar of Texas (Recipient, President's Special Recognition, 1993)
- Houston Bar Foundation, Life Fellow
- Houston Bar Association
- Supreme Court of Texas Board of Disciplinary Appeals (Chairman 1994-99, Member 1992-2000)
- Texas Association of Defense Counsel
- International Association of Defense Counsel
- American Board of Trial Advocates
- International Society of Barristers, Fellow

Professional Recognition

- *Benchmark Litigation*, Local Litigation Star, General Commercial (2017-2021)

Court Admissions

- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- United States District Courts for the Eastern, Northern and Southern District of Texas

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Education/Professional Background

- South Texas College of Law, J.D., 1973 (*cum laude*; Vice Praetor, Order of the Lytae; *South Texas Law Journal*; Clerk, Phi Alpha Delta; Chief Prosecutor, Honor Court; E.E. Townes Award for Scholarship; State Moot Court Team)
- Texas Christian University, B.B.A., 1970