



## Christopher P. Hansen

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As a trial lawyer, Christopher P. Hansen handles all phases of civil trial litigation in the areas of professional liability, cyber liability, construction litigation, products liability, personal injury, and commercial litigation. He has developed extensive experience representing insurance agents and brokers, architects, engineers, surveyors, technology/IT consultants, real estate brokers, attorneys, law firms, accountants and other miscellaneous professionals in professional liability claims and lawsuits. His practice also includes the representation of clients in product liability, personal injury, and construction defect lawsuits. In addition, Chris often speaks to and provides advice to insurance companies and professionals regarding cyber risk.

### Representative Experience

- Represented aviation engineering and design consulting firm in dispute over interior redesign and rehabilitation of Lockheed L-1011 jumbo jet owned by Saudi sheik, where obtained summary judgment enforcing limitation of liability clause to cap damages at \$25,000 on claim for \$10 million
- Represented international architectural firm in dispute regarding ADA compliance for prominent private school built into a hillside with a ninety foot fall in elevation
- Represented MEP engineer in successful resolution of dispute over AC system for projection rooms in several large movie theater multiplexes in Texas and other states
- Represented consulting engineer specializing in fuel storage and handling facilities in dispute over design of terminal for barges for off-loading fuel where significant tide changes occurred
- Represented MEP engineer in dispute over deficiencies in back up electrical generator, water pump pressure for fire suppression system and other electrical design errors during restoration and conversion project of 1930s era downtown building
- Obtained summary judgment for managing general agent in matter where plaintiff was seeking class action certification on surplus lines policies sold to

### Services & Industries

- Data Privacy and Cyber Security
- Mass Torts
- Professional Liability

Texas residents where questions about diligent search of admitted market insurers were raised

- Represented logistics consultant in claims of data breach and data loss arising from closing of facilities and movement of data for storage
- Advised and counseled real estate brokerage firm in claim between seller and buyer where buyer alleged the seller misrepresented the condition of the property and disputes over enforceability of sale arose
- Represented construction management company in allegations concerning chemical exposure to individual working within building during renovation project
- Represented media and communication consultant over alleged deficiencies in a Chicago hospital's communication and media delivery systems

## **Education**

- Southern Methodist University School of Law (J.D., 1994)
- Monmouth College (B.S., 1991)
  - Business Administration, Minor in Finance
  - cum laude

## **Bar Admissions**

- Texas, 1994

## **Court Admissions**

- United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- United States District Court, Northern, Southern, Western and Eastern Districts of Texas

## **Professional and Community Activities**

- Member of Dallas Bar Association
- Member of American Institute of Architects

## **Speeches and Presentations**

- Speaker, "Texas Fair Claim Handling Practices and Insurance Contract Construction," CJW-Associates, Florida
- Speaker, "Cyber Risk and Data Breaches," ACE, New Jersey
- Speaker, "Cyber Risk and Data Breaches," Liberty International Underwriters, New York
- Speaker, "Cyber Risk and Data Breaches," LVL, New York
- Speaker, "Cyber Risk and Data Breaches," York Risk Services Group, New York
- Speaker, "Cyber Liability for Lawyers," One Beacon Professional, Connecticut
- Speaker, "Cyber Liability and Risk Management for Data Breaches Under Florida and Texas Law," Allied World, Connecticut
- Speaker, "Cyber Liability and Risk Management for Data Breaches Under Florida and Texas Law," Lexington Insurance, Boston
- Speaker, "Legislative Update," Allied World Insurance Company and One Beacon, Connecticut

- Co-author, “Cyber Risk – Issues and Opportunities for the Insurance Market,” DAC Beachcroft, London
- Author, “Changes in Texas Law Affecting Architect, Engineers and Their Insurers”
- Author, “Practicing Law in a Paperless Law Firm”
- Author, “Treatment of Workers Compensation Liens When Defending Personal Injury Cases”
- Author, “Joint and Several Liability: General Concepts in U.S. Jurisprudence”

### **Professional Recognition**

- Rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell
- Recognized by Thomson Reuters as a “Texas Super Lawyer” – Listed in Texas Monthly and Law & Politics Magazine
- Received the Monmouth College Award of Academic Excellence for the highest ranked graduate for degree