



## Cy Haralson

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Cy Haralson's practice focuses primarily on insurance coverage and defense, including complex, multi-party insurance coverage and bad-faith litigation involving general liability, environmental pollution, construction defects, directors and officers coverage, errors and omissions coverage, and property insurance. Cy's extensive property insurance experience includes pre-suit resolution and litigation of property damage, insurance coverage, and bad faith claims including hurricane, hail, mold, foundation, theft, and fire losses. Cy previously served as Law Clerk for United States Magistrate Judge Mary Milloy in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

### Services & Industries

- Insurance Coverage
- Insurance Litigation
- Weather-Related  
Catastrophe Litigation

### Representative Experience

- Obtained summary judgment on multi-million dollar failure to settle suit arising out of underlying construction defect litigation.
- Obtained summary judgment from Supreme Court of Louisiana for an insurance carrier in a direct action case involving directors and officers liability policies.
- Obtained mandamus relief in Texas Court of Appeals ordering severance of insurance claims from underlying liability suit.
- Guiding coverage and bad-faith matters through every phase of resolution from pre-litigation coverage analysis, to strategic discovery, pre-trial judgments, alternative dispute resolution, and trial strategy.
- Efficient resolution of residential and commercial property claims through pre-suit negotiation, appraisal, mediation, and litigation, as appropriate for the case.

### Education

- The University of Texas School of Law (J.D., 2008)
  - with honors
  - The Review of Litigation, Development Editor
- Southern Methodist University (B.A., 2004)
  - Philosophy and Political Science

## **Bar Admissions**

- Texas, 2008

## **Court Admissions**

- United States District Court, Northern and Southern, Districts of Texas
- United States District Court, District of Colorado

## **Professional and Community Activities**

- Member, State Bar of Texas
- Member, Federal Bar Association

## **Speeches and Presentations**

- "What I Had to Learn (and What I Wish I'd Been Taught)", 21st Annual Insurance Law Institute, November 10, 2016
- "Emerging Issues in Texas Coverage Litigation", Texas Insurance and Tort Law Update, May 4, 2016

## **Publications**

May 1, 2019

**Texas Law and the Restatement of the Law of Liability Insurance: An Initial Comparison of Blackletter Principles**

January 17, 2018

**The Burden to Allocate Settlement Funds**

November 20, 2017

**Hurricane Harvey's Aftermath: Anticipated Coverage Issues Following Natural Disasters**

May 4, 2016

**Emerging Issues in Texas Coverage Litigation**

May 4, 2016

**Reserving Rights and Declining Coverage**

April 4, 2016

**FIFTH CIRCUIT TIGHTENS IMPROPER JOINDER STANDARD**

April 10, 2015

**KABOOM!: Handling Explosion Claims, Texas Insurance and Tort Law Update**

April 9, 2015

**Emerging Coverage Issues In Fracking Claims, Texas Insurance and Tort Law Update**

January 1, 2015

**Once More Into the Breach: Will Fracking Usher in the Next Great Wave of Environmental Litigation?**

March 28, 2013

**The Anatomy of a Declaratory Judgment Action, Texas Insurance and Tort Law Update**

June 14, 2012

**Who Pays And How Much?: Allocation Of Defense And Indemnity Costs Among Co-Insurers, Texas Insurance and Tort Law Update**