



## J. Mark Kressenberg

Partner

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Mark Kressenberg is a veteran first party trial lawyer with a solid background in both commercial and personal lines property and casualty litigation. He regularly represents domestic and surplus line carriers in a wide variety of bad faith claims in both state and federal court, bringing his substantial experience to achieve consistently favorable results for his clients.

Mark's philosophy is that it is the carrier's claim and the carrier's money and that effective representation inherently entails appropriately litigating the matter's size and complexity. Focused discovery, early exploration of settlement potential, and judicious use of motion practice are the key elements of his practice style.

Personal service and professional excellence are the foundation upon which Mark's insurance law practice is built.

He has represented clients in multi-million dollar commercial catastrophe claims as well as residential wind and hail claims. Tailoring the level of litigation to the size and complexity of the matter, he consistently achieves favorable results for his clients in a cost-conscious manner.

He has successfully managed large catastrophe dockets in Hurricanes Ike and Harvey and numerous Texas hailstorm events for commercial and personal lines disputes. Mark is well-respected by both sides of the insurance law bar for his professionalism and knowledge.

### Representative Experience

Managed a large Hurricane Ike litigation docket for a Fortune 50 admitted carrier

Successfully oversaw numerous Texas appellate cases involving coverage and appraisal matters

Obtained unanimous defense verdict in a Hurricane Harvey first-party property case as lead counsel in federal court

Tried numerous UIM cases to verdict in counties all around southeast Texas

Obtained complete denial of the plaintiff's "independent" injuries, pre-judgment interest, and attorney's fees claims on summary judgment following prior appraisal and statutory interest payment.

Secured summary judgment on extra-contractual causes of action in federal court in bad faith lawsuit against Fortune 50 admitted carrier

Acted as lead market counsel in a number of commercial hail claims

Oversaw numerous appraisals in commercial and personal lines claims

## Related Services

Business and Commercial

Insurance

Labor & Employment

## Publications & Speaking Engagements

Ethics for Agents and Brokers

Texas Association of Mutual Insurers annual conference

Round Rock, Texas

October 2024

## Education, Admissions & Activities

### EDUCATION

Baylor University School of Law

J.D., 1986

University of California at Berkeley

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Texas

1986

Kentucky

2000

## COURT ADMISSIONS

United States District Court of Texas

Northern, Southern, Eastern, Western

United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

## PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

State Bar of Texas

Insurance Law Section

Dispute Resolution Center

Volunteer mediator