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Charles Settle defends professionals – including lawyers, accountants, <u>design and construction</u> companies, real estate brokers and agents, and investment advisers, broker-dealers, and registered representatives – in litigation, arbitrations (AAA and FINRA), and administrative proceedings.

Charles also has extensive commercial litigation and transactional experience, particularly in the energy, financial services, health care, and construction industries. As an attorney and CFA, Charles provides expert testimony regarding both liability and damages in FINRA arbitrations.

Charles' extensive experience enables him to effectively evaluate claims during the early stages of litigation and develop resolution strategies to mitigate his clients' exposure and costs.

Representative Experience

Obtained summary judgment for defendants in legal malpractice case arising from clients' unsuccessful prosecution of plaintiff's copyright infringement claims against Steve Harvey in underlying case.

Settled \$2.2 million real estate fraud case against international brokerage company and its client for \$40,000.00 during pre-discovery mediation.

Represented landowners in multi-district litigation against energy companies, alleging breaches of oil and gas leases or surface use agreements. Favorably settled cases after mediation.

Represented franchisee in federal lawsuit in Arizona (admitted pro hac vice) against franchisor. Favorably settled case after mediation, then represented client in sale of assets.

Outside general counsel to financial services company. Represented client in all matters, excepting tax, including defense of (a) class-action in California state court and (b) tortious interference claims in North

Carolina state court (admitted pro hac vice in both cases).

Before, during, and after trial, alleged and proved that statute of frauds barred plaintiff's claims in real estate partnership litigation, which preserved error, resulting in court of appeals' reversal of trial court's judgment on verdict against client and rendition of take nothing judgment against plaintiff.

Related Services

Business and Commercial

Professional Liability

Education, Admissions & Activities

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law

J.D., 1990

Associate Editor, The Review of Litigation

University of Virginia

B.A., with Distinction, 1981

BAR ADMISSIONS

Texas

1990

COURT ADMISSIONS

United States District Court of Texas

Northern, Eastern

United States Bankruptcy Court of Texas

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Girls Inc. of Tarrant County

Past President

Arlington Museum of Art

Past President

City of Arlington

Arts Advisory Board, past member

Rotary Club of Arlington

Paul Harris Fellow

CFA Institute

Member (retired)