

## **Michael A. Varner**

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Michael Varner focuses his practice on general civil litigation, insurance coverage analysis and litigation, and appeals. He has specialized knowledge in the areas of admiralty/maritime law and has defended Jones Act, 905(b), and general maritime actions.

He has also addressed a wide range of insurance issues and policies, including issues relating to commercial general liability insurance, automobile liability insurance, workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance, foreign voluntary compensation and associated insurance, excess liability insurance, umbrella and bumbershoot liability insurance, hull and machinery insurance, and protection and indemnity insurance.

In addition to his civil litigation and insurance practice, Michael has handled numerous appeals and writs of mandamus in both state and federal courts.

### **Publications & Speaking Engagements**

The Enforceability of Indemnity Agreements in Contracts Related to Oil and Gas Work Offshore Louisiana and Texas

### **Education, Admissions & Activities**

#### **EDUCATION**

Texas Tech University School of Law

J.D., 1991

Moot Court Competition Semi-Finalist

Law Review

University of Houston

B.A., 1987

Classical Studies

## BAR ADMISSIONS

Texas

1991

## COURT ADMISSIONS

United States Supreme Court

United States Court of Appeals

Fifth and Eleventh circuits

United States District Courts of Texas

Southern and Eastern