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Michael Eady has the unique experience of representing clients during the most challenging litigation environments. Since 1995, he has been teamed with national and local counsel to assist in the trial and appeal, if necessary, of cases in Texas, Mississippi, Illinois, Nevada, Georgia, and Louisiana. Since 2005, he and other members of his team have logged over 600 days in trial in over 65 cases.

Michael is a civil appellate attorney with an extensive background representing clients at trial for the purpose of anticipated appeals. His practice consists of appearing before the Texas Supreme Court and intermediate Appellate Courts of Texas.

### Representative Experience

Successfully changed over 100 years of law pertaining to the submission of certain jury charge definitions. This opinion culminated the error preservation strategy for multiple cases developed years before this case was tried.

*Ford Motor Co. v. Ledesma*, 242 S.W.3d 32, 51 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 250 (Tex. 2007)

Successfully obtained an affirmance of lower court's judgment interpreting an agreement between counsels.

*Fortis Benefits v. Cantu*, 234 S.W.3d 642, 50 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 965 (Tex. 2007)

Successfully protected confidentiality of Volvo Car documents, overturning contrary rulings by the trial and intermediate appellate court.

*In re Ford Motor Co.*, 211 S.W.3d 295, 50 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 291 (Tex. 2006)

Successfully overturned both trial court and intermediate appellate court's decision allowing a \$100,000 ad litem fee.

*Land Rover U.K., Ltd. v. Hinojosa*, 210 S.W.3d 604, 50 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 236 (Tex. 2006)

Successfully overturned both the trial court and intermediate appellate court's decision denying a mandatory legislative trial continuance.

In re Ford Motor Co., 165 S.W.3d 315, 48 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 808 (Tex. 2005)

Successfully overturned intermediate appellate court's holdings on circumstantial proof in product liability fire loss case.

Ford Motor Co. v. Ridgway, 135 S.W.3d 598, 47 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 266 (Tex. 2004)

Successfully upheld lower court's rulings protecting psychiatrists from liability in excess of the tort claims act limits.

Dallas Cnty. Mental Health & Mental Retardation v. Bossley, 968 S.W.2d 339, 41 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 653 (Tex. 1998), cert. denied, 118 S. Ct. 541 (1998)

Successfully overturned intermediate appellate court's holdings concerning personal jurisdiction of Texas courts over a French Wine press manufacturer.

CMMC v. Salinas, 929 S.W.2d 435, 39 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 1043 (Tex.1996)

Successfully overturned intermediate appellate court's holdings on the scope of a guardian ad litem's role.

American Gen. Fire & Cas. Co. v. Vandewater, 907 S.W.2d 491, 38 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 877 (Tex. 1995)

#### APPELLANT COUNSEL CASES

Cause No. C-2625-02-1; Aaron Cardenas, et al. v. Angel's Auto Mart, et al.; In the 398th Judicial District Court of Hidalgo County, Texas

Cause No. DC; 04-254; Danny Roy Lopez, et al. v. Pool Company of Texas, Ltd, et al.; In the 229th Judicial District Court of Starr County, Texas

Cause No. 03-H-0089-C; Kenneth Wayne Mead, Jr., et al vs. Ford Motor Company, et al; In the 23rd Judicial District Court of Matagorda County, Texas

Cause No. 04-10-00098-CVL; Rosalinda S. Zamora, et al. vs. Ford Motor Company, et al.; In the 218th Judicial District Court of La Salle County, Texas

Cause No. 2013-CCL-1045; Robert Castillo v. Ford Motor Company; In the Texas County Court at Law No. 3, Cameron County, Texas.

Cause No. 11-08-50394-CV; Jesus De Los Santos v. Ford Motor Company, et al.; In the 79th Judicial District Court, Jim Wells County, Texas

Case No.: A-11-641059-C; Teresa Garcia Trejo, et al. v. Alan Koransky, Ford Motor Company, et al.; In the District Court of Clark County, Nevada

Docket No. 2008-6506; Christine Morvant, et al. v. Ford Motor Company, et al.; In the 14th Judicial District Court for the Parish of Calcasieu, Louisiana

Docket No. 39092 B; Sunday Brumfield, et al. v. Ford Motor Company, et al.; in the 20th Judicial District Court for the Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana

Successfully interpretation of a novel issue of Texas law interpreting a statute indemnifying health care professionals whose practice includes providing indigent care.

State v. Pruett, 900 S.W.2d 335, 38 Tex. Sup. Ct. J. 874 (Tex.1995)

Successfully obtained a favorable construction of a limitations tolling provision.

Parker v. Cumming, 216 S.W.3d 905 (Tex. App.—Eastland 2007, pet. denied), cert. denied, 128 S. Ct. 1671 (2008)

Successfully upheld favorable jury verdict.

North Am. Van Lines, Inc. v. Emmons, 50 S.W.3d 103 (Tex. App.—Beaumont, 2001, pet. denied)

Successfully upheld favorable jury verdict following an appeal from the second trial of the same case.

Mares v. Ford Motor Co., 53 S.W.3d 416 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 2001, no pet.)

Unsuccessful attempt to overturn an adverse jury verdict.

Muth v. Ford Motor Co., 461 F.3d 557 (5th Cir. 2006)

Melton v. Teachers Ins. & Annuity Ass'n of Am., 114 F.3d 557, 79 A.F.T.R.2d 97-3012, 97-2 USTC P 50,492, (5th Cir. 1997)

Successful appeal construing recent 2003 Texas Tort Reform statutes creating a presumption of no liability based upon compliance with governmental standards.

Wright v. Ford Motor Co., 508 F.3d 263 (5th Cir. 2007)

In re Ford Motor Co., 591 F.3d 406 (5th Cir. 2009), cert. denied, 130 S. Ct. 3467 (2010)

Successfully overturned conditions imposed by trial court in dismissing a case under the doctrine of forum non conveniens.

Ford Motor Co. v. Villanueva, 302 S.W.3d 476 (Tex. App.—Eastland 2009, no pet.)

Created new law in situations setting aside a settlement premised upon notes from the jury foreperson which appear to have been the result of a rogue juror or outside influence.

Ford Motor Co. v. Castillo, 279 S.W.3d 656 (Tex. 2009)

#### REPRESENTATIVE APPEALS

Nester v. Textron, Inc., 888 F.3d 151, 162 (5th Cir. 2018)

Wackenhut Corp. v. Gutierrez, 453 S.W.3d 917 (Tex. 2015)

In re Ford Motor Co., 427 S.W.3d 396 (Tex 2014)

Garza v. Ford Motor Co., 423 S.W.3d 442 (Tex. App. 2013)

Ford Motor Co. v. Stewart, Cox, and Hatcher, 390 S.W.3d 294 (Tex. 2013)

Ford Motor Co. v. Garcia, 363 S.W.3d 573 (Tex. 2012)

Ford Motor Co. v. Villanueva, 302 S.W.3d 476 (Tex. App. 2009)

Ford Motor Co. v. Ledesma, 242 S.W.3d 32 (Tex. 2007)

Parker v. Cumming, 216 S.W.3d 905 (Tex. App.-Eastland 2007, pet. denied)

CMMC v. Salinas, 929 S.W.2d 435 (Tex. 1996)

## Awards & Recognition

TEXAS SUPER LAWYERS

Listed for Appellate, General Litigation

2007-2023

TEXAS BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION

Board Certified in Civil Appellate Law

1995

## Related Services

Appellate Litigation

Products Liability & Mass Torts

## Publications & Speaking Engagements

Texas Supreme Court Clarifies Employer Liability in Trucking Accident Cases

Jun 30, 2025

Legal Malpractice and Breach of Fiduciary Duty: Andy Attorney, Mother Teresa, and the Politics of the PJC

UTLAW 27th Annual Conference on State and Federal Appeals

2017

Does One Size Fit All—Breach of Fiduciary Pattern Jury Questions,

The Advocate - Fiduciary Duties

2014

A Practitioner's Guide For the Use of Protective Orders and Confidentiality Agreements

State Bar Litigation Section Report, The Advocate, Vol. 27

2004

## Education, Admissions & Activities

### EDUCATION

Texas Tech University School of Law

J.D., 1986

Texas Tech Law Review

Board of Barristers

Texas Tech University

B.A., summa cum laude, 1983

### BAR ADMISSIONS

New Mexico

2022

Colorado

1997

Texas

1986

### COURT ADMISSIONS

United States Supreme Court

United States Court of Appeals

Fifth and Seventh Circuit

United States District Court of Texas

Northern, Southern, Eastern, Western

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United States Supreme Court

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