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Education

J.D. from The University of Alabama School of Law

- *Law & Psychology Review* (Executive Editor)
- Intellectual Property Society (Vice President)
- Bruce Siegal Intellectual Property Moot Court Team
- Bench and Bar Legal Honor Society

B.A. from McGill University

Bar Admissions

Texas

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas

United States District Courts for the Eastern, Northern, Southern and Western Districts of Texas

United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma

United States Courts of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

Related Practices

Litigation

- Employment Litigation
- Environmental Litigation
- Insurance Litigation

Overview

Known for her meticulous strategy, sharp advocacy and courtroom presence, Casey has earned the trust of her clients and colleagues as a go-to litigator for their high-stakes commercial, real estate, probate, environmental, employment, shareholder and personal-injury disputes. With years of experience in pre-litigation strategy, discovery, trials and appeals, she distills complex legal issues into winning arguments and crafts strategic, business-minded solutions to meet her clients' goals.

Casey delivers results – efficiently and effectively. She has secured multimillion-dollar judgments, won dismissals and summary judgments, and negotiated high-value settlements for Fortune 500 companies, privately held businesses and individuals alike. She regularly leads clients through evidentiary hearings, jury and bench trials, and appeals in state and federal courts. Beyond the courtroom, Casey advises businesses on risk management, contract disputes, workplace policies and fiduciary obligations, helping them avoid costly legal battles before they start. Whether she's defending against high-exposure claims, recovering substantial damages or guiding businesses through legal risks, Casey brings the same relentless advocacy and business-driven approach to every case. Casey also currently serves as Co-Chair of the Firm's Women's Initiative Group.

Before joining Munsch Hardt, Casey practiced at a national litigation firm in Houston. When she is not solving her clients' problems, you can find Casey traveling with her husband and daughter or watching the latest Bravo reality show with her rescue dogs, Molson and Jameson.

Personal Injury & Wrongful Death
Products Liability
Real Estate Litigation
Tax Controversy

Related Industries

Energy
Insurance

Achievements

Houston Young Lawyers Foundation – Fellow (2019)
Houston Bar Foundation – Fellow (2024)
Thomson Reuters – Texas Rising Stars (2024)
Woodward/White, Inc. – Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation (2022-2025); Best Lawyers in America, Women in the Law (2024)

Memberships

Houston Bar Association
Houston Young Lawyers' Association
Houston Association of Women Attorneys
Texas Association of Defense Counsel

Clerkships

The Honorable Karon O. Bowdre, Chief Judge for the Northern District of Alabama (Judicial Extern)

Experience

Oil & Gas Litigation

Secured a \$13 MM judgment for actual damages, attorneys' fees and other costs for landowners against a major West Texas operator as well as a judicial declaration confirming the landowners' contractual right of first refusal for the operator's drilling of new saltwater disposal wells.

Oil & Gas Litigation

Obtained a favorable settlement for an oil and gas company in a multi-million dollar dispute over a downhole drilling failure in offshore Louisiana, asserting claims for breach of warranty, breach of contract, fraud and negligence against a manufacturer of a high-strength, corrosion-resistant alloy.

Commercial Litigation + Contracts

Defeated a franchisor's multi-million dollar breach of contract and defamation claims brought against a former franchisee and won an approximately \$2 MM summary judgment on franchisee's counterclaim for breach of contract – a victory affirmed in a one-word ruling by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Commercial Litigation + Contracts

Won dismissal of claims brought against a Fortune 500 company by a contractor's former employee for defamation and intentional infliction of emotional distress, including an award of attorneys' fees.

Commercial Litigation + Contracts

Prevailed at a jury trial serving as second-chair counsel for a waste disposal company, securing an award of all actual damages, attorneys' fees and costs.

Real Estate Litigation

Led a five-day jury trial representing homeowners asserting claims for trespass, nuisance, negligence and breach of contract against their homeowners' association.

Real Estate Litigation

Negotiated a strategic and favorable settlement for a developer pursuing claims for breach of contract and breach of the duty of good faith and fair dealing against purchaser of a multifamily complex.

Real Estate Litigation

Achieved successful outcomes at hundreds of bench trials as sole counsel for national, residential real estate owners.

Real Estate Litigation

Dissolved temporary restraining orders and defeated temporary injunctions prohibiting lenders from lawfully foreclosing on properties.

Probate and Estate Litigation

Won complete summary judgment for a court-appointed temporary administrator defending against claims of breach of fiduciary duties in a contested probate proceeding

Probate & Estate Litigation

Protected pre-testamentary transfers from a decedent to a beneficiary in high-stakes probate litigation and represented beneficiary in contested litigation involving disputes among other beneficiaries, fiduciaries and financial institutions.

Shareholder Litigation

Secured a strategic and favorable settlement for a real estate investment firm in high-stakes litigation relating to the ownership and financial obligations of several closely held LLCs and their members.

Environmental Litigation

Negotiated complete dismissal of claims brought against an energy services company relating to alleged contamination of groundwater in West Texas.

Construction Litigation

Negotiated a favorable settlement on behalf of a pipeline engineering company in lawsuit brought by client's insurance company asserting subrogated claims for breach of contract and negligence.

Employment Litigation

Represented plaintiffs in class-action FLSA litigation against employers for unpaid overtime wages.

Personal Injury & Wrongful Death

Successfully resolved multiple personal injury lawsuits for appliance repair company and its employee-drivers involved in automobile accidents across Texas.

Products Liability Litigation

Negotiated a favorable settlement for a pipe-fitting distributor in a high-risk products liability case arising from an explosion at an oil reclamation facility in West Texas while pursuing indemnification from the product manufacturer.

Newsroom

Blog: Munsch Hardt Tax Resources

Article: Munsch Hardt Names New Women's Initiative Group Leaders

Press Release: Claire Carroll and Casey Minnes Carter Appointed Co-Chairs of Munsch Hardt's Women's Initiative Group

Press Release: Best Lawyers 'Ones to Watch' 2025 Edition Features 42 Munsch Hardt Attorneys

Press Release: Best Lawyers in America® Names Twenty (20) Munsch Hardt Attorneys to 2024 "Women in the Law" Directory

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Announces 2024 Equity Shareholder and Shareholder Promotions

Press Release: 2024 Texas Super Lawyers® Rising Stars Highlights 15 Munsch Hardt Attorneys

Press Release: Forty (40) Munsch Hardt Attorneys Featured in Best Lawyers 'Ones to Watch' 2024 Edition

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Secures Significant Energy Litigation Win for West Texas Landowners

Press Release: Win Secured for West Texas Landowners in Energy Litigation Case

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Attorneys Honored as 2023 'Best Lawyers in America®,' 'Ones to Watch', and 'Lawyer of the Year'

Speech: Daubert Motions in Construction Litigation: Standards for Expert Witnesses in Design and Defect Claims

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Attorneys Honored as 2022 'Best Lawyers in America', 'Ones to Watch' and 'Lawyer of the Year'