MUNSCH HARDT

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Attorneys & Counselors



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Education

- J.D. from Baylor University School of Law cum laude
 - Order of the Barristers
 - Mack Kidd Administrative Law Moot Court Competition Champion;
 - National Moot Court Competition in Child Welfare & Adoption Law Semi-Finalist

B.J. from The University of Texas at Austin with honors

B.A. from The University of Texas at Austin with special honors

Plan II Honors Program

Bar Admissions

Texas

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

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit United States Court of Federal Claims

Related Practices

Litigation Arbitration Condemnation & Eminent Domain



Overview

Claire helps clients solve problems that threaten their business in a practical and efficient manner. In an effort to enable her clients to safeguard themselves, Claire designs policies and procedures to prevent and minimize future loss in a way that does not impair a business's core operation. She also analyzes the risks associated with proposed actions, so clients can make an informed business decision on which risks are worth accepting.

Part of Claire's success comes from always being prepared for and never hesitating to bring a case to trial. Her trial and arbitration experience gives her clients a material advantage.

Claire currently serves as a member of Munsch Hardt's Diversity Committee and Co-Chair of the Firm's Women's Initiative Group



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Construction Litigation Director & Officer Litigation Employment Litigation Real Estate Litigation Warranty

Related Industries

Construction

Achievements

Associate Leadership Class, The Real Estate Council (2023)

Thomson Reuters – Texas Rising Stars (2022-2024)

Woodward/White, Inc. – Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation (2021-2025); Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Construction Law (2022-2025); Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Real Estate Litigation (2021-2025); Best Lawyers in America, Women in the Law (2024)

Memberships

Attorneys Serving the Community (ASC) Dallas Association of Young Lawyers State Bar of Texas The Real Estate Council

Experience

Appellate Victory

Obtained a favorable ruling for a client in a case that addressed a fundamental aspect of contract law and asked the court to revisit the implied-revocation doctrine for the first time since 1947. The main issue in this contract dispute was whether a purported offer to settle a debt for a reduced sum was accepted before it was revoked. The case's rulings were appealed and reversed several times before being reviewed by the Texas Supreme Court, which issued its verdict in January 2022.

Real Estate Litigation

Developed standard operating procedures for a national company operating apartments across Texas to minimize litigation risks.



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Employment Litigation

Obtained the dismissal of an investigation and administrative action pending in front of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) against our client premised on the claims of a disgruntled employee who alleged he was impermissibly discriminated against at the jobsite. As part of the dismissal order, the EEOC found it was unable to conclude that our client had violated the applicable statutes.

Real Estate Litigation

Obtained a directed verdict in favor of our client on a contractual matter where the other side sought attorneys' fees and costs. At trial, the court agreed with our position and dismissed the other side's claims with prejudice. The other side did not appeal.

Real Estate Litigation

Favorably settled a class action brought against our client. The plaintiff alleged our client breached contracts with each class member and violated numerous provisions of the Deceptive Trade Practices Act. The case successfully settled at mediation for less than a quarter of the plaintiff's \$1.5 MM demand.

Real Estate Litigation

Represented numerous warranty companies, builders, and contractors, including the nation's second largest home builder, in numerous civil litigation cases in both state court and arbitration.

Real Estate Litigation

Obtained a summary judgment that awarded our client specific performance on a purchase agreement and attorneys' fees after the seller refused to close on the real estate transaction.

Real Estate Litigation

Represented commercial and residential landlords and tenants in a broad range of lease related disputes.

Newsroom

Press Release: Claire Carroll Secures an Impressive Condemnation Recovery for Client

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Celebrated a Victory in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

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

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

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

Press Release: Texas Super Lawyers® 2024 Top Women Attorneys List Recognizes Six (6) Munsch Hardt Attorneys

Press Release: Thirty-Nine (39) Munsch Hardt Attorneys Featured in Best Lawyers 'Ones to Watch' 2024 Edition

Press Release: 2023 Texas Super Lawyers® Rising Stars Recognizes 11 Munsch Hardt Attorneys

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

Press Release: Eight Munsch Hardt Attorneys Named as 2022 Texas "Rising Stars" by Super Lawyers®

In The News: Texas Justices Revisit Implied-Revocation Rule In Debt Row

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

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Announces 2021 Promotions to Equity Shareholder and Shareholder

Newsletter: Federal Court Rules on Residential Eviction Moratorium

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Attorneys Honored as '2021 Best Lawyers in America' and 'Ones to Watch'

Article: Government Shutdown Could Undercut Stability in the Multifamily Market

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Expands Real Estate, Litigation and Corporate Practices