

## Steven A. Harr



### Overview

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### Education

J.D. from Texas Tech University School of Law *cum laude*  
B.S. from Texas Tech University with honors

### Bar Admissions

Texas  
United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit  
United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan  
United States District Court for the Eastern, Northern, Southern and Western Districts of Texas

### Related Practices

Litigation  
Arbitration  
Director & Officer Litigation  
Financial Institution Litigation  
Insolvency Litigation  
Lawyer & Law Firm Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation  
Warranty

### Related Industries

As one of the Firm's founding partners, Steve currently serves as General Counsel and has served in virtually every position of responsibility including Chairman and Chief Executive Officer for four years, Section Head of the Business Litigation group for more than 15 years and as a member of our Shareholder Compensation and Management Committees. His practice focuses on commercial/business litigation, arbitration, mediation and federal/state receiverships.

Steve has represented individuals, companies, partnerships and other business interests in litigation disputes involving intellectual property disputes including patent, copyright, trademark and trade dress; fiduciary relations; account collections; sales, warranty and deceptive trade practice; partner/shareholder relations; banking; lender liability; real estate sales; development and leasing; arbitration; building and industrial construction; surety; manufacturing; telecommunications; trade secrets; employment covenants; housing discriminations and securities fraud. Aside from the preparation and presentation of jury and non-jury trials, Steve's work includes arbitration, mediation and receiverships.

For more than 17 years, Steve has served on the neutral arbitrator panel for the American Arbitration Association. Most of his experience on the panel has been in the area of complex litigation.

For more than 20 years, Steve has worked extensively in federal and state receiverships. He has many times been appointed by Federal District Courts as a Receiver and Examiner in large securities fraud cases.

Financial Services  
Hospitality  
Manufacturing  
Real Estate

## Achievements

*Dallas Business Journal* – 40 Under 40; Who's Who in Litigation (1994)

*Martindale-Hubbell*® AV Preeminent®, Peer Review Rated™

*Thomson Reuters* – Texas Super Lawyers, Business Litigation, Corporate Counsel Edition (2008-2009); Texas Super Lawyers (2003-2008, 2011-2012)

*Woodward/White, Inc.* – Best Lawyers in America, Arbitration (2021-2024); Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation (2024)

## Memberships

American Arbitration Association (Arbitrator)  
Dallas Bar Association, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Business Litigation Sections  
National Association of Federal Equity Receivers  
State Bar of Texas, Litigation Section  
Texas Center for Legal Ethics

## Experience

### International Arbitration

Represented an American company in filing an international arbitration in Dubai against the Government of Dubai. The claim arose out of a wrongful termination of a hotel development contract that would have led to the construction of a massive development during the real estate boom in Dubai. The Firm successfully obtained a determination of liability against the Dubai government following a hearing in London, England, and the matter was successfully settled a few days before on the damage hearing.

### Receiver + Examiner Appointments

Appointed by United States District Courts in Texas and Michigan to serve as a Receiver and Examiner in matters involving securities fraud. By way of example, appointed as an examiner in a massive \$250 MM Ponzi scheme involving the sale fractionalized interests in more than 750 life insurance policies. The matter took more than 8 years to investigate, resolve claims and ultimately return an unprecedented 40% return to the victims of the fraud.

## Arbitration

Appointed as an arbitrator in more than 125 matters most of which involved complex commercial litigation. These matters include a wide range of commercial disputes and matters that involve hundreds of millions of dollars. Successfully managed the efficient conduct of the process and those that have involved the issuance of an Award have never been challenged.

## Arbitration

Served as mock panel arbitrator in a major dispute conducted a summary trial in an effort to assist trial counsel with presentation and strategy. These matters involved very large sums of money and risk. Provided summary report of strengths and weaknesses and concepts for an improved presentation to the actual Arbitration Panel.

## Newsroom

**In The News:** Munsch Hardt Begins Transition to New CEO

**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Announces Senior Management Changes

**Press Release:** 'Best Lawyers in America®' Names 54 Munsch Hardt Attorneys to its 2024 List and Two as 'Lawyers of the Year'

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

**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Commits Long-Term to Dallas' Ross Tower for Corporate Headquarters

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

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

**In The News:** The final chapter of a \$50 million Ponzi scheme that caught many high-profile coaches

**In The News:** Munsch Hardt Turns 30 and has a Story to Tell

**In The News:** At 30, Munsch Hardt law firm looks to middle market to grow

**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Celebrates 30 Years

**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Attorneys Recognized by Thomson Reuters Super Lawyers 2012

**Speech:** Legal Update: Receiverships, Health Care and Employment Law

**Press Release:** Nine Munsch Hardt Attorneys Designated Super Lawyers

**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Shareholders Named Among Super Lawyers

**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Shareholders Named Texas Business Litigation Super Lawyers

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**Press Release:** Munsch Hardt Celebrates 20th Anniversary