

W. Garrett Hicks



Overview

Shareholder [Austin](#)
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Education

J.D. from Baylor University School of Law *cum laude*

- *-Baylor Law Review*
- Order of Barristers

B.A. from The University of Texas at Austin

- Dean's List
- Sigma Tau Delta (President and Treasurer)
- Phi Gamma Delta

Bar Admissions

Texas

United States District Court for the Western District of
Texas

Related Practices

Litigation
Arbitration
Construction Litigation
Insurance Litigation
Products Liability

Related Industries

Construction

Garrett practices civil trial law with an emphasis on commercial and construction disputes. He represents commercial businesses, owners, contractors, individuals, churches, non-profit organizations and professionals in state and federal courts.

Prior to joining Munsch Hardt, Garrett served as an associate at Texas-based law firm where he obtained numerous dismissals and summary judgments for his clients. Outside of the office, Garrett enjoys fly-fishing, Texas Longhorns Football and sharing his interests with his two children.

Insurance

Achievements

Woodward/White, Inc. – Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch,
Construction Law (2023-2024)

Memberships

Austin Bar Association

Austin Young Lawyers Association

Clerkships

The Honorable Magistrate Judge, Jeffrey C. Manske,
United States District Court for the Western District of
Texas (Judicial Intern)

Experience

Construction Litigation

Successfully negotiated a dispute on behalf of a high-end residential builder against the subcontractor.

Construction + Design Defect

Defends general contractors, subcontractors, architects and engineers in construction and design defect suits.

Construction + Design Defect

Defended a target subcontractor in a construction/design defect suit filed by a school district involving a \$11 MM property with allegations of water penetration and structural deficiencies.

Construction Litigation

Drafted a successful summary judgment motion in a case where a property owner alleged that the defendant diverted the natural flow of diffuse surface water resulting in more than \$1 MM in property damage.

Construction Litigation

Successfully defended a prime contractor against construction defect claims involving amenity centers and pools in a major north Austin development.

Construction Litigation

Defended an architect of record for public hospital against design and wrongful-death claims.

Construction Litigation

Prosecuted construction defect claims involving \$1+ million in damages related to water intrusion on behalf of a high-end condominium.

Construction Litigation

Obtained a dismissal for a professional design and engineering firm in a lawsuit involving the allegation that a rollercoaster was defectively designed.

Construction Litigation

Obtained a dismissal for a structural engineering firm against negligence claims involving a plaintiff who fell from cliff abutting green on "the Most Beautiful Par 3 in Texas."

National Trial Counsel

Drafted multiple, successful dismissal motions on behalf of national non-profit organizations, housing corporations, executive directors, unincorporated chapters, volunteers and members.

Fraud + Securities Litigation

Represented the former directors of an electric motors manufacturing company against claims of fraud and securities violations in three separate, multi-million dollar suits.

FCRA

Obtained both dismissal and sanctions against the Plaintiff in two federal suits involving Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) claims.

Products Liability

Obtained a dismissal for an umbrella manufacturer in a federal products liability suit.

Sexual Abuse Claims

Obtained a dismissal for a major church convention in a multi-million dollar suit involving claims of sexual abuse.

Breach of Fiduciary Duty

Negotiated a dismissal where the Plaintiff alleged breach of fiduciary duty, violations of HOA statutes and violation of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions.

Fraud Litigation

Obtained a summary judgment for an HOA on claims of fraudulent lien, common law negligence, common law fraud, civil conspiracy, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of good faith and fair dealing and constructive fraud.

Newsroom

Press Release: Fifty-One (51) Munsch Hardt Attorneys Featured in Best Lawyers 'Ones to Watch' 2024 Edition

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Announces 2023 Promotions to Equity Shareholder and Shareholder

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

Article: Construction Associates Featured in State Bar Publication

Press Release: Munsch Hardt Further Expands Construction Practice with Five Associates

Speech: Legal Issues in Arbitration