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Business & Commercial Litigation
 Class Action Litigation
 False Claims Act
 Complex Professional Liability
 Managed Care/ERISA Litigation
 Product Liability
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 Drug & Medical Device Litigation
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Current Scope of Practice

Wayne B. Mason, who chairs the firm’s world-wide Complex Litigation division and an active trial attorney, is called upon to defend national and international clients in diverse litigation matters around the country. He is known as a great communicator with both juries and clients. His “cut-to-the-chase” style has endeared him to many clients who seek straightforward answers to their litigation needs.

Mr. Mason acts as national and regional coordinating counsel. He is routinely retained to represent companies who find themselves facing “bet-the-company” litigation risks. Mr. Mason has significant experience in class action litigation and other complex litigation matters. He also acts as a consultant to corporations in managing litigation and helping to minimize exposures.

Mr. Mason oversees a diverse team of trial attorneys who work together in various specialty areas of practice. He has responsibility for hiring attorneys on a nationwide basis and working with local counsel toward successful resolution of cases. His peers in the legal community have repeatedly named him one of the “the best lawyers in Texas” in an annual survey published by *Texas Monthly* magazine.

Affiliations, Activities and Accomplishments

Mr. Mason is admitted to practice in Texas (1984), the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He is regularly admitted *pro hac vice* throughout the United States.

Mr. Mason is Vice President and a member of the Executive Committee of the Lawyers for Civil Justice (LCJ), a past-president of the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel (FDCC) (2007-2008) and a member of its Executive Committee. He is a past member of the board of directors for the Defense Research Institute (DRI) and the Lawyers for Civil Justice. Mr. Mason is also a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a member of the American Bar Association and various industry associations. He is recognized by the Legal Media Group’s *Expert Guides* as one of the world’s leading lawyers in the field of Products Liability.

Publications

Mr. Mason is a frequent speaker on CLE subjects to broad audiences, from in-house programs to national seminars. He publishes articles on legal trends, procedural changes, and other subjects relevant to his clients, such as his article, “Products Liability Law in Japan,” which is available on www.findlaw.com.

Mr. Mason is coauthor of “State Law Challenges in Managed Care,” Chapter 4 of *Managed Care Litigation* (October 2005 and updated in May 2009), published by the Bureau of National Affairs, Inc. (coauthored with members of Sedgwick’s Healthcare Practice Group).

Education

Mr. Mason earned his J.D. (1984) from Samford University, Cumberland School of Law. He obtained his B.S. (1981), *cum laude*, from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.