



Rachel Stephenson

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Overview

While at law school, Rachel was among the top 16 students in her class and was awarded the Dean's Achievement Award for Outstanding Student in both Contracts and Texas Civil Procedure. She served as the Managing Online Content Editor for the *Texas Law Review* and was a Teaching Quizmaster.

Rachel received her B.A. in Rhetoric & Writing with highest honors and earned a Business Foundations Certificate from the University of Texas at Austin. She was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Liberal Arts Honors, and participated in the Normandy Scholars Program.

Prior to law school Rachel worked as the Digital Content Manager for Mightier Content LLC in Austin. She also was a Writing Consultant at the University of Texas Writing Center, and served as a writing fellow for the Liberal Arts Honors program for three years.

Experience

- Represented a client in briefing to the Supreme Court of Texas which resulted in the Court reversing a \$21 million judgment that had been rendered against our client
- Represent multiple clients in state bar disciplinary grievances resulting in dismissal

Articles & Presentations

- Author, "Attorney's Fees and How to Get Them," presented by SDM Partner Bryan Lauer at the 10th Annual Oil and Gas Disputes CLE

News & Insights

- Texas Supreme Court Reverses Judgment of \$21 Million
- SDM Secures Victory in McMullen County Oil and Gas Jury Trial

Practice Areas

- Business Litigation & Torts

Education

The University of Texas School of Law, J.D. with high honors, 2022

- Chancellor-at-Large
- Order of the Coif
- Texas Law Review – Managing Online Content Editor
- Teaching Quizmaster
- Dean's Achievement Award – Outstanding Student in Contracts
- Dean's Achievement Award – Outstanding Student in Texas Civil Procedure

The University of Texas at Austin, B.A. with highest honors in Rhetoric & Writing, History with Business Foundations Certificate, May 2018

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Liberal Arts Honors
- Normandy Scholars Program 2016

Admissions

- State Bar of Texas
- United States District Courts for the Southern and Western Districts of Texas