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Chris Akin is a Partner at LPHS with almost 30 years of complex business litigation experience. He has very deep experience in fiduciary litigation, including substantial experience in high profile trust and estate disputes, bankruptcy-related litigation, directors and officers liability lawsuits, and other complex commercial litigation. He has successfully handled plaintiff-side contingency fee arrangements and high-profile defense cases. He currently serves as LPHS's General Counsel while maintaining a full practice.

In probate litigation and directors and officers liability lawsuits, he has helped his clients defeat billions of dollars in claims. On the plaintiff side, Chris has won multiple bankruptcy-related cases that have generated career-defining results for both LPHS and his clients. He played a critical role in a momentous energy trial, winning one of the largest ever judgments in Dallas history.

Chris earned his J.D. from the University of Virginia. He has been involved in many of LPHS's biggest victories, and he has been recognized by his peers in various rankings. Chris constantly asks himself, "What decision would I make if I were in my client's position?" Having seen his entrepreneurial family members go through a significant lawsuit as a teenager, Chris takes every lawsuit personally, striving to represent his clients the way he wishes his family had been represented.

EDUCATION

- University of Virginia School of Law, J.D., (1992-1995)
  - Assistant Editor, ***Virginia Law Review***
  - Order of the Coif
  - Roger & Madeleine Traynor Prize for "Best Written Work by a Graduating Student"

HONORS & AWARDS

- Awarded "Litigation Star" by ***Benchmark Litigation,*** 2021-2025
- Awarded "Best Lawyers in America" by ***Best Lawyers***, 2025-2026
- Recognized as a "Texas Super Lawyer" by ***Super Lawyers,*** 2015-2026
- Awarded "Litigation Future Star" by ***Benchmark Litigation,*** 2016-2020
- Recognized as a "Rising Star" in Texas law by ***Texas Monthly,*** 2005-2009
- Recognized as a "Top Business Litigator in DFW" by ***Dallas Business Journal,*** 2008

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

- Law Clerk to the Honorable Sidney A. Fitzwater, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (September 1992-September 1996)

ADMISSIONS

- Texas 1995
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit