



## Chris Akin, PARTNER

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Chris Akin is a Partner at LPHS with 25 years of complex business litigation experience. Specializing in 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.

Over the last eight years, Chris has won multiple bankruptcy-related cases that have generated career-defining results for both LPHS and his clients. In 2014, he played a critical role in a momentous energy case, winning one of the largest ever judgments in Dallas history. He has also represented directors and officers in multi-billion dollar disputes—blocking a \$9 billion merger and successfully defending securities fraud allegations.

Chris earned his J.D. from the University of Virginia, was listed as a “Rising Star” by Super Lawyers as seen in *Texas Monthly* from 2005-2009, and has been named as a “Texas Super Lawyer” for the last five years running. 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 Evansville, B.S., 1992
- University of Virginia, J.D., 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
- Awarded “Litigation Future Star” by *Benchmark Litigation*, 2016-2020
- Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court, Associate, 2006-2007
- “Texas Super Lawyer,” by *Super Lawyers*, 2015-2020
- “Rising Star” by Super Lawyers in *Texas Monthly*, 2005-2009
- Top Business Litigator in DFW by *Dallas Business Journal*, 2008

### JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

- Honorable Sidney A. Fitzwater, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

### 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