

## COVER STORY

# WINSTON'S ALL-STAR LEGAL LINEUP

Her intellectual property practice focuses on trade secrets and departing employees. She has tried more than 30 cases, including as co-counsel with the Texas Attorney General's office in an eight-year case that resulted in the largest Medicaid fraud settlement in Texas.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, JD, 2000; University of Florida, BA, 1995  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

NATALIE ARBAUGH

Previously a principal of Ernst & Young, he focuses on taxation of domestic and cross-border corporate and partnership business transactions. He has experience with the tax structuring of corporate M&A, internal restructurings and partnership formations.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Locke Lord  
**EDUCATION:** University of Virginia School of Law, JD, 1999; Virginia Tech, MS, 1992; Virginia Tech, BS, 1991  
**ADMISSIONS:** New York; Texas

ANDREW BETAQUE

Concentrates practice on representing issuers and underwriters in public and private offerings of debt and equity securities and helping public companies prepare periodic regulatory filings. He has experience representing companies in M&A, exchange offers and tender offers.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Locke Lord  
**EDUCATION:** University of Kentucky College of Law, JD, 1985; Stanford University, BA, 1979  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

KENNETH BETTS



## Billie Ellis

Has represented PE giant TPG Capital since its formation in 1992 on a variety of matters, including serving as special counsel, with respect to certain aspects of its \$39 billion takeover of Harrah's Entertainment in 2007. Previously served as a Co-Founder and Managing Director of The Halifax Group, a \$200 million PE fund, where he was involved in the preparation of all fund documents, marketing to private and institutional investors, and acting as the de facto general counsel.

**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Locke Lord

**EDUCATION:** University of Houston Law Center, JD; Southern Methodist University, MBA; University of Texas at Austin, BA

**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

Manages complex patent cases, including the largest joint defense effort in the history of the Eastern District of Texas that involved more than 400 defendants. He also represents clients in other IP disputes, including trademark, trade dress and trade secret litigation.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** University of Texas at Austin, JD, 2008; University of Texas, BA, 2003  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

MICHAEL BITTNER

Practices in federal and state court, focusing on complex business, intellectual property, employment and mass tort litigation, including defending a client in over 12,000 individual product liability cases. The majority of cases settled after the first trial ended in a defense verdict.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** Harvard Law School, JD, 2005; Harvard College, BA, 1999  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

TAJ CLAYTON

With experience in government and internal investigations, white collar criminal litigation, SEC actions and more, he has represented clients in high-profile cases, including defending former Enron Chairman and CEO Ken Lay in his criminal securities fraud trial and civil litigation.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Jones Day  
**EDUCATION:** Southern Methodist University, JD, 1999; University of Texas at Austin, BBA, 1993  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

SHAWN CLEVELAND

Represents senior and junior lenders, private equity sponsors and public and private companies with acquisition financings, expansion financings and recapitalizations. He also advises lenders, private equity sponsors and borrowers on troubled loans and loan restructurings.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Squire Patton Boggs  
**EDUCATION:** University of Arkansas School of Law, JD, 1988; University of Arkansas, BS and BA, 1985  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

JEFF COLE

Advises clients on equity offerings, minority equity investments, joint ventures, venture capital investments, matters of corporate governance and fiduciary obligations. His experience spans a number of industries, including energy, media, technology, financial services and more.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Weil, Gotshal & Manges  
**EDUCATION:** Loyola University Chicago School of Law, JD, 2006; University of Rhode Island, BS, 1999  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

RICHARD FRYE

Represents private equity sponsors, public and private companies, and lenders in connection with complex domestic and cross-border financial transactions. He also regularly counsels his PE clients' portfolio companies on general corporate, finance and commercial matters.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Miller, Egan, Molter & Nelson  
**EDUCATION:** Duke University School of Law, JD, 1993; Yale University, BA, 1990  
**ADMISSIONS:** New York, Texas

CHIP GAGE

Concentrates his practice on white collar criminal defense, internal investigations, and complex commercial litigation. He represents clients in energy, health care, financial services, manufacturing, software and technology, defense, and government contracting.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Jones Day  
**EDUCATION:** University of Texas School of Law, JD, 2000; Rice University, BA, 1997  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

BASHEER GHORAYEB

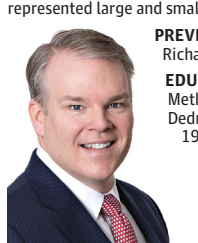
Concentrates his practice on complex commercial lawsuits, including contractual disputes, class actions, securities litigation, intellectual property disputes, employment disputes, arbitrations, and general commercial litigation.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** University of Texas Law School, JD, 1995; Emory University, BA, 1990  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

GEOFF HARPER

Obtained favorable litigation/arbitration results for clients including Mark Cuban, the Dallas Mavericks, Bank of America, and Sabre, Inc. He has been lead counsel for multiple joint defense groups in IP and non-IP related litigations and represented large and small companies.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, JD, 1994; Baylor University, BA, 1991  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

BRETT JOHNSON



## Tom Hughes

Tom Hughes concentrates his practice on representing both public and private companies in mergers and acquisitions, issuers and underwriters in public and private offerings of equity and debt securities, and corporate debtors in connection with the financial restructuring of debt and equity securities. He has been named a Texas Super Lawyer by Thomson Reuters each year since 2003.

**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Norton Rose Fulbright

**EDUCATION:** Georgetown University Law Center, JD, 1976; University of Oklahoma, BA, 1972

**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

Advises banks, finance companies, and other lenders in complex credit transactions. He has extensive experience with various types of debt financings and negotiates various intercreditor and subordination agreements in 1st lien/2nd lien, split collateral, and mezzanine financing scenarios.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** K&L Gates  
**EDUCATION:** University of Texas School of Law, JD, 2006; University of Texas at Austin, BBA, 2003  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

JORDAN KLEIN

Concentrates his practice on complex business transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, private equity and venture capital investments, leveraged buyouts, recapitalizations, senior and subordinated debt financings, securities offerings, and corporate governance matters.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Locke Lord  
**EDUCATION:** University of Texas School of Law, JD, 2007; Texas A&M University, BA, 2004  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

DAVID LANGE

He has managed cases involving partnership disputes, theft of intellectual property and trade secrets, breaches of contract and fiduciary duties, business torts, non-compete and non-solicitation agreements, unfair competition, corporate espionage, whistleblowing, and securities fraud.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** Texas A&M University, BS, 2002; University of Texas School of Law, JD, 2007  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

JOHN SANDERS

Represents PE funds, public and private companies, as well as individual and institutional investors and family offices, in business formations, senior and subordinate financings, asset and stock transactions, mergers, spin-offs, corporate governance matters, and other strategic commercial transactions.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Locke Lord  
**EDUCATION:** Vanderbilt University, BA, 2004; Vanderbilt School of Law, JD, 2008; Vanderbilt Graduate School of Management, MBA, 2008  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

MATT STOCKSTILL

Concentrates on PE, corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, and general corporate law. He has experience with providing counsel to private and public companies regarding corporate reorganizations involving the reallocation of significant subsidiary and divisional operations.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Locke Lord  
**EDUCATION:** Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, JD, 2002; University of North Texas, BA, 1996  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

TODD THORSON

Focuses his practice on patent litigation, qui tam/whistleblower litigation, business litigation, and complex litigation. He has participated in numerous trials, including serving as lead trial counsel in six trials.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson  
**EDUCATION:** University of Texas School of Law, JD, 2005; Baylor University, BA, 2002  
**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

CHAD WALKER



## Matt Orwig

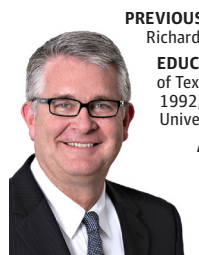
Focuses his practice on civil and criminal fraud investigations, False Claims Act, internal corporate investigations, health care fraud investigations and litigation, privacy and data security, complex civil litigation, and litigation involving government agencies. He previously served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney then as the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas where he was both a criminal prosecutor and the lead civil enforcement attorney responsible for all False Claims Act cases.

**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Jones Day

**EDUCATION:** Texas Tech University School of Law, JD, 1984; Texas Tech University, BA, 1981

**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

An accomplished trial lawyer with substantial experience handling complex commercial litigation cases, class action cases, and patent litigation cases in jurisdictions throughout Texas and the United States.



**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Fish & Richardson

**EDUCATION:** University of Texas at Austin, JD, 1992; Southern Methodist University, BA, 1989

**ADMISSIONS:** Texas

THOMAS WALSH



## Christina Tate

She is a founding partner in the firm's M&A, securities and private equity practices and focuses on mergers and acquisitions, with an emphasis on private equity firms and their portfolio companies. As a trusted advisor to middle market PE funds, she counsels her clients throughout each phase of the investment life cycle. Her M&A experience also includes representing management teams, founders and strategic clients in public and private mergers, acquisitions, carve-out transactions and divestitures.

**PREVIOUS FIRM:** Greenberg Traurig

**EDUCATION:** Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, JD, 2005; Texas A&M University, BA, 2002

**ADMISSIONS:** Texas