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Overview

Mindy Riseden focuses her practice on commercial litigation, with particular emphasis on the trial level.

In fifteen years of practicing law, Mindy has provided counsel to individuals, local businesses, national corporations, and multinational organizations in disputes involving partnerships, insurance brokerage, employment, trustee/fiduciary, real estate, contract, eminent domain, and personal injury. Regardless of the nature of the dispute, Mindy enjoys working with people, and she finds that during the litigation process the best method to help the client reach its goals consists of working diligently and persistently while also maintaining flexibility as issues and disputes are always evolving.

Mindy believes balance is important to any activity. Prior to graduating law school, Mindy studied and lived abroad in Mexico, Spain, Chile, and Hong Kong. While in law school, Mindy served as a Senior Articles Editor for the SMU Dedman School of Law's Computer Law Review & Technology Journal. She was also elected as a Barrister and received the Southern Methodist University's McGuire Fellowship Award for Ethics & Public Responsibility (2001). Mindy is conversational in Spanish and enjoys meeting and working with people from a variety of backgrounds and cultures. When not consumed with areas of commercial litigation, Mindy enjoys working with pro bono clients, especially children needing a voice and guidance through the legal system.

In addition to interning for Federal and State judges, Mindy served

Practices

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Education

- J.D., Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law
- Duke University School of Law Asia-America Institute in Transnational Law at the University of Hong Kong
- B.A. in Spanish, Davidson College
- Pontificia Universidad Catolica De Chile, Santiago, Chile

Admissions & Certifications

- State Bar of Texas
- United States District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Fifth and Ninth Circuits

as a Briefing Attorney to the Honorable Justice Catherine Stone of the Court of Appeals of the Fourth District of Texas, 2003-2004.

Experience

- Represented clients in the energy industry, both local and international, on issues involving eminent domain, contract disputes, partnership disputes, and personal injury defense
- Represented a Fortune 500 global company on a variety of insurance brokerage disputes
- Represented clients on a variety of real estate issues
- Represented clients on trust fiduciary disputes and employment related disputes

Affiliations

- SMU Dedman School of Law's Emerging Leader Board, member, 2017-2019
- Texas Bar Foundation
- Garland Walker Inn of Court
- State Bar of Texas - Appellate, Insurance Law, Litigation, and Real Estate Sections
- Houston Bar Association - The Houston Lawyer, editorial board member/associate editor, 2005-2007
- The Barristers, SMU Dedman School of Law, member
- Phi Delta Phi, member

Community & Civic

- St. Pauls United Methodist Church, member
- Tahirih Justice Centers Pro Bono Legal Committee, member, 2014-present
- Davidson Colleges Alumni Recruitment Team, Houston coordinator, 2008-present

Honors & Awards

- Top Lawyers in Houston, H Texas Magazine, 2016-2019

Publications & Presentations

- *Judicial Spotlight: An Interview with Chief Justice Alma L. Lopez*, co-author, The Appellate Advocate, 2005
- *Using Immigration as a Protectionist Mechanism While Promoting Free Trade*, 8 L. & BUS. REV. AM. 667, 2002