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Zach helps clients resolve litigation matters with passion and attention to detail.

Zach advises clients on business litigation matters throughout various industries.

Prior to joining Stinson, Zach served as a felony trial prosecutor for the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office in Fort Worth, Texas where he evaluated, indicted and tried felony cases. Zach also gained legal experience working as a law clerk for numerous courts including the Texas Attorney General's Office, the Texas Second District Court of Appeals, and most recently the Presiding Judge of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

EXPERIENCE

During his years as a prosecuting attorney, Zach represented the State of Texas prosecuting numerous family-violence, driving while intoxicated, and crimes against children cases. He developed and maintained strong relationships with law enforcement officials, judges, and defense attorneys, as well as exercised fair judgment by negotiating over 1,500 plea deals in the interest of justice. This prosecutorial experience affords Zach the ability to counsel clients in navigating complex issues regarding white collar crimes and investigations, as well as government contracts and investigations.

PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Business Litigation

White Collar Criminal Defense & Special Investigations

ADMISSIONS

Texas

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University School of Law, J.D.,
magna cum laude, 2019

- *Law Review*, Editor
- Teaching Assistant to Legal Writing Professor John Murphy
- Criminal Law Society, Vice President

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Researched and drafted a Motion to Contest Arbitrability that resulted in the dismissal of a \$12 million Florida Arbitration against client in a case relating to EB-5 projects.

Drafted a Motion to Remand and Motion Opposing Transfer that resulted in the improperly removed case being remanded back to state court and not transferred out of state.

Dedicated over 200 hours of time to pro bono matters that resulted in submitting an amicus brief to the Fifth Circuit, indigent clients having decades-old felony and misdemeanor charges non-disclosed, and others being eligible to receive their driver's licenses for the first time in years.

- Student Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association National Moot Court Competition

Texas A&M University, B.S., Political Science, *cum laude*

- Dean's List

RECOGNITIONS

One to Watch, Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, January 2024

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

- Co-Chair of Social Committee
- 2023 Leadership Class

Young Professionals, Dallas Regional Chamber

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