



DAVID L. ORTEGA

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Mr. Ortega is a bilingual native of San Antonio, Texas. He routinely handles complex, high-exposure and high-profile disputes and litigation for national and international clients. Mr. Ortega's trial practice involves a diverse array of cases with a focus on transportation, product liability, commercial disputes, oil & gas, and construction. Mr. Ortega has served as lead trial counsel for clients in a broad range of matters. He has tried to verdict a variety of cases, and he serves as national and regional counsel litigating cases across the United States.

Mr. Ortega served as the Executive Vice-President of one of the largest, privately held truckload companies in the country. Mr. Ortega's experience as a business executive provided significant insight to corporate operation that has shaped his daily practice as a litigator and mediator. Mr. Ortega also serves as an expert witness for matters involving transportation, legal ethics and disciplinary rules, attorney fees, and fiduciary responsibilities.

Mr. Ortega is recognized by Martindale-Hubbell as an AV Preeminent attorney, and he has been selected as a Texas Super Lawyer (top five percent) from 2013 to present.

Honors & Recognitions

Top S.A. Personal Injury (Defense) Attorney, Scene In S.A. Magazine

"Best Lawyers in San Antonio", Scene by Scene Publications LLC

Client Satisfaction Award, American Institute of Personal Injury Attorneys

Texas Super Lawyer, Thomson Reuters Legal, 2013 – Present

Oil, Gas & Natural Resources

Commercial Litigation

Alternative Dispute Resolution
& Mediation

Environmental & Natural
Resources

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Texas, 1994

State Bar of Michigan, 2000

U.S. District Court Northern
District of Texas

U.S. District Court Eastern
District of Texas

U.S. District Court Southern
District of Texas

U.S. District Court Western
District of Texas

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Affiliations

Civic & Professional

State Bar of Texas

State Bar of Michigan

State Bar of Texas Disciplinary Rules Committee, 2015-2016

State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting Committee, 2014 - 2015

State Bar of Texas Pattern Jury Charge Committee, 2010 - 2014

Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, 2013 - Present

Bexar County Advisory Committee on Elected Official Salaries - 2015

Mayor of the Town of Hollywood Park, 2013 - 2014

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 2004 - 2012

American Inns of Court, 1998 - 2013

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, National Trustee, 2001 - 2010

State Bar of Texas Ethics Committee, 1997 - 1999

News

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Ortega Wins Case in Los Angeles, California

Speaking Engagements

"Premier Forum on Defending and Managing Trucking Litigation", American Conference Institute, Panel Co-Moderator

"Federal Court Jurisdiction, Venue and Removal", Western District of Texas Seminar, Speaker

"Lemon Law and Warranty Issues", Kia Motors America Seminar, Keynote Speaker

Transportation Industry Defense Association, Returning Panelist

EDUCATION

Drake University Law School,
J.D., 1993

Texas A&M University, B.A.,
1989