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INDUSTRIES

- Automotive
- Health Care
- Manufacturing
- Transportation

PRACTICES

- Asbestos
- Consumer Products Litigation
- Mass Tort Litigation
- Product Liability

EDUCATION

- Baylor Law School, J.D., Phi Delta Phi scholastic honor society, 1989
- University of Texas at Austin, B.S., Speech Communications, with honors, 1986

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2020-Present
- Thompson & Knight Partner, 1996-2020 Associate, 1990-1996

ADMISSIONS

- Texas
- Texas USDC, Eastern District
- Texas USDC, Northern District
- Texas USDC, Southern District
- Texas USDC, Western District

Dawn defends major product manufacturers and chemical distributors in products liability and mass tort litigation. She also represents health care companies in a range of litigation matters.

For more than 20 years, Dawn has led the defense of toxic substances cases involving asbestos, silica, benzene, TCE, chlorinated solvents, and other substances. She has managed, defended and resolved cases involving thousands of plaintiffs for national product manufacturers in trial courts across Texas, and served as co-national asbestos litigation counsel in jurisdictions throughout the country.

Dawn has extensive experience representing manufacturers and sellers of automotive components, railroad engines and other components, seat belt and restraint systems, cranes, forklifts, aviation products, and personal watercraft.

She also represents health care companies in a range of matters, including contract disputes, payor disputes with insurers and issues involving all types of business agreements, including software agreements.

Chair of the firm's Working Parent affinity group.

Experience

• Representative Experience

Served as national counsel for Fortune 500 companies, managing and directing the defense of thousands of personal injury and wrongful death claims in numerous states.

Recognitions

- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (by BL Rankings), 2019-2024
 - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants
 - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
 - Product Liability Litigation - Defendants
- Listed in Texas Super Lawyers® (by Thomson Reuters) for Class Action/Mass Torts, General Litigation, 2004, 2006

Community

- YWCA of Metropolitan Dallas, Founding Member, Young Leaders Board, Executive Committee
- Women with Promise, Founding Member
- TACA – The Arts Community Alliance, Board Member, Grants Panelist
- The University of Texas at Austin, Ambassador's Council

Affiliations

- Dallas Bar Association; Litigation Section
- State Bar of Texas; Litigation Section
- American Bar Association; Litigation Section
- Texas Association of Defense Counsel
- DRI - The Voice of the Defense Bar
- National Association of Women Lawyers, Planning Committee, 2007-2008
- Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation