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Ben Thomas is a partner in the Dallas office of Reid Collins & Tsai LLP. He represents plaintiffs in high-stakes commercial litigation in federal and state courts across the country, with a focus on breach of fiduciary duty, financial fraud, insolvency disputes, professional liability, shareholder derivative actions, and cross-border financial litigation.

Ben maintains an active appellate practice and has recently argued appeals in the U.S. Courts of Appeal for the Fifth and Eleventh Circuits. He has also served as an expert witness in federal bankruptcy court on claims involving shareholder oppression. In addition, Ben advises religious institutions on best practices, risk management, and issues of religious freedom and expression.

Ben is known for crafting creative legal strategies and identifying early leverage points that position clients for success—both in court and at the negotiating table. He has been recognized as a Texas “Rising Star” by *Super Lawyers* for the past three years.

Credentials

EDUCATION

Baylor University, B.A., summa cum laude, 2005

University of Pennsylvania Law School, J.D., 2013

Online Managing Editor, University of Pennsylvania Law Review

ADMISSIONS

Texas

New York

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

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

CLERKSHIPS

The Honorable Edith Brown Clement, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, 2014-2015

The Honorable Sidney A. Fitzwater, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, 2013-2014

Before joining Reid Collins, Ben practiced in the Dallas office of Sidley Austin LLP. He previously served as a law clerk to the Honorable Edith Brown Clement of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and the Honorable Sidney A. Fitzwater of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

Ben earned his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where he was a senior editor of the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* and participated in the Supreme Court Clinic, briefing multiple cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. He holds a B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Baylor University and an M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary.

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