

## William T. Reid, IV

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**William T. Reid, IV (“Bill”), the senior founding partner of Reid Collins & Tsai LLP, is widely recognized as one of the top business trial lawyers in the nation. His work has resulted in precedent-setting case law protecting investors and holding wrongdoers accountable while obtaining billions of dollars in recoveries for his clients.**

**“If a law firm were a hedge fund, it would be Reid Collins.”**

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A true trial lawyer, Bill developed his national reputation for successfully litigating complex commercial and financial cases in private practice after a remarkable run as a federal prosecutor. He has tried a wide range of civil and criminal matters to verdict before judges and juries in a career spanning three decades.

In leading Reid Collins to its position as one of the nation’s go-to plaintiff firms, Bill has prosecuted a broad array of international cases involving insolvency-related disputes, professional malpractice, business torts, fraud, and financial transactions. He has handled multiple high-stakes actions arising out of Ponzi schemes, illegal transactions, insider misconduct, and cross-border frauds, as well as fiduciary litigation and bad-faith insurance actions. Further, Bill has

### RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- Legal Malpractice
- Accounting Malpractice
- Director & Officer Liability
- Fraudulent-Transfer Claims
- Bankruptcy and Receivership
- Commercial Litigation
- Cross-Border and Insolvency Litigation
- Shareholder Appraisal Rights
- Whistleblower Litigation

### EDUCATION

- St. John’s University School of Law, 1992
- University of Connecticut B.A., Economics, 1989 B.S., Accounting, 1989 With honors

### ADMISSIONS

- New York
- Texas

### CLERKSHIPS

- The Honorable Reynaldo G. Garza U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, 1992-93

established the firm as an industry leader in professional malpractice claims, achieving numerous public (as well as confidential) multi-million-dollar settlements against law firms, accounting firms, and directors & officers.

He represents public companies, hedge funds, private equity funds, offshore liquidators, bankruptcy fiduciaries, SEC receivers, and individual clients, among others, and is currently managing a docket of plaintiff's litigation seeking billions of dollars in damages.

Bill's considerable trial experience is as varied as the clients he represents.

As an Assistant United States Attorney during the 1990's, he focused on complex drug and corruption prosecutions, trying 25 cases to verdict (securing 24 convictions) and prosecuting hundreds of cases annually. Since returning to private practice in 2000, he has put his courtroom experience to good use, taking numerous commercial cases to trial. Notably, Bill has yet to lose a jury trial since returning to private practice and has obtained several top-100 trial judgments and verdicts for his plaintiff clients.

In December 2017, acting pro bono, Bill won an acquittal in a public corruption case on behalf of Olga Hernandez, a San Antonio School Board member wrongfully accused of bribery. In winning the Hernandez case, Bill achieved justice thwarting the misguided prosecution of an innocent citizen, in the process accomplishing what few trial lawyers achieve in their careers: jury trial wins on behalf of both civil plaintiffs and defendants and as a criminal prosecutor and a defense lawyer.

Additionally, Bill is now an Adjunct Professor at the University of Texas Law School, teaching a course he created called Complex Financial Litigation, which takes a case study approach to teaching commercial litigation practice to law students.



## Publications

*Chambers USA* Again Recognizes Reid, Tsai & Madden As Top Texas Litigators

June 1, 2023

William T. Reid, IV And Lisa S. Tsai Profiled By The National Law Journal

October 25, 2022

## Accolades

- Named "U.S. Plaintiff Attorney of the Year" by Benchmark in 2020 and 2023
- Recognized as a "Titan of the Plaintiffs Bar" by Law360 in 2021
- Named a "Legend of the Bar" by Lawdragon in 2024
- Frequently listed among Lawdragon's "500 Leading Lawyers in America"
- Twice named a "Plaintiff's Trailblazer" by the National Law Journal
- Named a "Trailblazer" by Texas Lawyer
- Ranked among the "Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America" by Benchmark for six straight years
- Regularly honored by Chambers USA and Best Lawyers in America
- Multiple cases featured in the National Law Journal's Top 100 Verdicts list