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"Nothing gets in the way of client service, right down to the fact that every phone call is returned before the end of the day. We value our autonomy and independence and our reputation for getting results. Most of all we value the degree of trust our clients have in us."

Mr. Yarbrough is the Chairman of Carrington Coleman. He has an extremely varied litigation practice which emphasizes complex business-related disputes. His practice has involved a wide range of subject matters including securities, corporate, banking and financial, lender liability, and trademark and unfair competition matters; defense of professional malpractice claims; defense of director and officer liability claims; corporate governance issues; and business disputes arising in bankruptcy proceedings.

Mr. Yarbrough's securities litigation experience has included overall responsibility for complex lawsuits arising out of public offerings, alleged securities fraud, alleged misuse of insider information, issues concerning registration, and broker-dealer/customer disputes. He has extensive experience in litigation and counseling concerning corporate law disputes, including mergers and acquisitions, control contests, and special committee, director, and officer fiduciary duties, as well as corporate governance issues.

In the area of banking and financial litigation, Mr. Yarbrough has defended financial institutions and their directors and officers, attorneys, and accountants against claims by government agencies and others. He has defended a number of law firms against malpractice and other claims.

Mr. Yarbrough has been recognized by *Texas Monthly* magazine as a "Super Lawyer" in business litigation each year since that award began in 2003, and was ranked in the top 100 of all Texas lawyers in business litigation. Mr. Yarbrough has been listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* from 1983 to the present and in the 2010 Dallas edition of *Texas' Best Lawyers*, in Bet-the-Company litigation, commercial litigation, corporate governance and compliance law, and legal malpractice law. He is also listed as a leading individual of Texas commercial litigation in *Chambers & Partners 2009 USA Client's Guide* and has been selected by *D Magazine* as a Best Lawyer in Dallas from 2007 through 2009.

"Professionalism starts with knowing the canons of ethics and knowing what they mean. Respect your adversaries, witnesses, the court, the client. Always make reasonable efforts to accommodate the other side. Become friends with your adversaries. It's a much better way to operate. Courts have respect for firms and lawyers who act this way. Always tell the truth. Don't make misrepresentations. This is all good for the client. It also makes practicing law better and more fun."

Education

Harvard University
L.L.B., *magna cum laude*, 1960
Member: Board of Editors, Harvard Law Review, 1958-1960.
Sheldon Traveling Fellow of Harvard University, 1960-61

Southern Methodist University
B.A., 1957
Phi Beta Kappa

Admittances

Texas 1961

Associations/Affiliations

Member: American Law Institute.

Fellow: American College of Trial Lawyers; American Bar Foundation; Texas Bar Foundation; Dallas Bar Foundation.
Dallas Bar Association: Trial Lawyer of the Year, 1999.