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"We don't have strict sections. We're in multiple practice groups. Lawyers here aren't looking to join a practice area and do the same sort of work. They have a variety of interests. If you are creating duplicates of the same piece every day, you aren't creating, you're manufacturing."

Mr. Coleman is senior counsel and a founding member of Carrington Coleman. For more than 30 years he has practiced as a civil trial lawyer representing both plaintiffs and defendants in jury trials involving civil disputes of all levels of complexity and in a wide range of controversial matters.

Mr. Coleman has tried cases in both state and federal courts in Texas, and also acts as arbitrator in business disputes. His involvement in a wide variety of cases ranges from contract and other business disputes, fiduciary relations, legal and accountant malpractice defense, claims against corporate directors and officers, oil and gas disputes, securities law disputes, antitrust, and products liability and personal injury claims.

In the past several years, Mr. Coleman has represented firms and individuals in breach of fiduciary duty and malpractice claims brought by federal agencies and private plaintiffs. He also represents individuals, corporations, banks, partnerships, and joint ventures.

Mr. Coleman has been recognized by *Texas Monthly* magazine as a "Super Lawyer" in business litigation each year since that award began in 2003, and has been ranked in the top 10 of all Texas Super Lawyers. Mr. Coleman 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 commercial litigation, legal malpractice law, Bet-the-Company litigation, and personal injury litigation. He is also listed as a leading individual of Texas commercial litigation in *Chambers & Partners 2009 USA Client's Guide* and has been listed by *D Magazine* as a Best Lawyer in Dallas in 2008, 2011 and 2012.

Education

University of Virginia
LL.B., 1951
Board of Editors, Virginia Law Review, 1950-51

Georgia Institute of Technology
B.S., 1948

Admittances

Georgia 1952
Texas 1954

Associations/Affiliations

American Bar Association; Member of the Council of the Litigation Section, 1973-1975; Director of the Litigation Section, 1975-1981.

State Bar of Texas; Chairman of the Antitrust Section, 1977-1978; Member of the Board of Directors, 1988-1991.

Dallas Bar Association; Vice President, 1965; Secretary-Treasurer, 1972.

Fellow: American Bar Foundation; Texas Bar Foundation.

Member: National Institute for Trial Advocacy Board of Directors, 1981-2002; Chairman of Board of Trustees, 1991-1993); American Law Institute; International Academy of Trial Lawyers; American College of Trial Lawyers; Center for American & International Law (Research Fellow, 1976-present, Board of Directors, 1979-1998, Chairman, Board of Trustees, 1995-1998); Board of Trustees of the University of Virginia Law School Foundation, 1991-2000.

Awards

State Bar of Texas, Presidents' Award, 1997

Dallas Bar Association, Trial Lawyer of the Year, 1997

American Inns of Court Foundation, Professionalism Award, 1997

Texas Bar Foundation, Lola Wright Award, 1999

American College of Trial Lawyers, Samuel E. Gates Litigation Award, 2002

Dallas Bar Foundation, Fellows Award, 2002

Texas Bar Foundation, Outstanding 50 Year Lawyer Award, 2005

State Bar of Texas, Litigation Section, Luther H. Soules, III Award, 2008