



Practice Areas

Litigation

Industries

Manufacturing

Education

Baylor University School of Law,
J.D., 1986

Furman University, B.S.B.S., 1981

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Mr. Oliver is a partner in the Vorys Houston office and a member of the litigation group. His practice focuses on civil litigation throughout the state of Texas. Mr. Oliver, who holds degrees in both chemistry and biology, and who did graduate work in biochemistry, specializes in complex claims requiring sophisticated analytical solutions and approaches to persuasion. He has litigated hundreds of cases and has tried dozens to verdict. Mr. Oliver is the editor of *Mass Torts: State of the Art*, a blog covering the rapidly expanding and constantly changing mass torts landscape.

Career highlights:

Prevailing at trial or briefing, arguing and winning on appeal cases for some of the world's largest oil and gas, energy, chemical and professional engineering firms. For example, he recently argued at the Texas Supreme Court a case a client had been advised by other counsel could not be won. You can watch the oral argument [here](#).

Mr. Oliver is Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He is a member of the Texas Bar Foundation, the Houston Bar Association and the Fifth Circuit Bar Association. He is admitted to practice in the State of Texas as well as the Eastern, Southern, Western and Northern Federal District Courts of Texas.

Mr. Oliver received his J.D. from the Baylor University School of Law. He received his B.S. in Biology and his B.S. in Chemistry from Furman University.

Publications

A New Dimension To What Constitutes 'Design'?

The Sentry That Guards Against The Tyranny Of Experts

A Toxic-Tort Causation Question at the Supreme Court

Spotlight On The Scientific Evidence Reference Manual

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Merck V. Garza : Now We're Really Confused

Bostic: Swinging For The Fences

Texas Supreme Court's Unsettling Opinion On Causation

"Toxic Torts: Risk, Foreseeability And Causation," Texas Lawyer, 2003

"Jury's Understanding of 'Risk' May Make All The Difference In A Trial," The Houston Business Journal, 2002

"Scientific Knowledge in the Courtroom: The Trouble with Daubert," 1999

Professional and Community Activities

Defense Research Institute, Member

Honors and Awards

Texas Super Lawyers, Civil Litigation Defense, 2004-2011

Events

DRI 2011 Annual Conference Speaker: Causality

Food-Borne Illness

Bar and Court Admissions

Texas

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

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

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

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