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Mr. Polzer is a Partner at Cantey Hanger who maintains an office in Dallas and Fort Worth. He represents clients nationwide and has litigated cases in more than 20 states.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Law
- Bankruptcy
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction
- Energy Litigation
- Real Estate

EDUCATION

- The University of Texas, Austin, Texas, 2002, B.S.
- University of Houston Law Center, Houston, Texas, 2005, J.D.
Law Journal: Houston Business and Tax Law Journal, Articles, Editor

EXPERIENCE

- Represented numerous clients in Asset Purchase litigation in Delaware
- Represented international food company in class action litigation in California
- Represented E & P company in title litigation involving over 200 parties
- Represented Global Technology Company in an antitrust suit filed by a major airline
- Represented International Oil and Gas producer in shareholder litigation filed after announcement of merger
- Represented national supplier in products liability suits across the United States
- Cade v. Cosgrove, 430 S.W.3d 488 (Tex.App.—Fort Worth 2014, pet. filed)
- Sawyer v. Wright, 471 F.App'x 260 (5th Cir.2012)

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- Austin Commercial Contractors, L.P. v. Carter & Burgess, Inc., 347 S.W.3d 897 (Tex.App.—Dallas 2011, pet. denied).
- Am. Bd. of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Inc. v. Yoonessi, 286 S.W.3d 624 (Tex.App.— Dallas 2009, pet. denied)
- Thermacor Process, L.P. v. BASF Corp., 567 F.3d 736 (5th Cir. 2009)
- The Honorable Elizabeth Ray, 165th District Court, Harris County, Texas, Intern
- The Honorable Wesley Steen, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Texas, Intern

BAR ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- Licensed to practice law in Texas, 2005
- State Bar of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Northern, Eastern, Western and Southern Districts of Texas
- 5th Circuit Court of Appeals
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court – New Mexico

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- University of Texas System, Chancellor's Council (Centurions)
- Adjunct Professor – TCU
 - Undergraduate (Courts class), 2010-present
 - Masters Program (Legal Procedure), 2016-present
- Owner, Premier Wines Distributing
- Junior Achievement
- Legal Line
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Selected as a 40 Under 40 honoree by the Fort Worth Business Press, 2012
- Recognized in the list of "Texas Rising Stars" by Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters rating service, 2011-2015
- Recognized as a "Rising Star" in the April 2014 edition of Super Lawyers Magazine, a Thomson Reuters service

NEWS

- Supreme Court Decision Gives Businesses Increased Protection from Mandatory Disclosure of Confidential Information
- Limiting Discovery Before Arbitration
- John Polzer and Joshua Michaels Present at Transwestern Real Estate
- Arbitration Carve Out Clauses: Tips and Traps
- Forum-selection clauses: Tips to enhance the chance for enforcement
- "Oh Snap!" A Loophole Around the Forum-Defendant Rule
- The July/August, 2018 Edition of the Tarrant County Bar Bulletin has Published John Polzer and Derek Carson
- John Polzer Appears in The Fort Worth Business Press With "Mechanic's liens: How far does the lien reach?"

- Cantey Hanger LLP Aids in Big Win for Construction Industry
- 6 Cantey Hanger Attorneys Selected Rising Stars
- Cantey Hanger is pleased to have 9 lawyers named “Rising Stars” in Super Lawyers Magazine, a Thomson Reuters service

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- [“Supreme Court Decision Gives Businesses Increased Protection from Mandatory Disclosure of Confidential Information”](#) published in The Fort Worth Business Press, July, 2019
- [“Limiting Discovery Before Arbitration”](#) published in the Dallas Bar Association’s Headnotes for June 24, 2019.
- “The Real Estate Licensing Act” presented to Transwestern Real Estate’s Dallas office, June, 2019.
- [“Arbitration Carve Out Clauses: Tips and Traps”](#) Tarrant County Bar Association Bar Bulletin, May/June 2019.
- [“Forum-selection clauses: Tips to enhance the chance for enforcement”](#), The Fort Worth Business Press, January 2019.
- [“Oh Snap!” A Loophole Around the Forum-Defendant Rule](#)”, October 2018 Headnotes, Antitrust Trade Regulation Business Litigation Section of the Dallas Bar Association
- “Oh Snap! A Loophole Around the Forum-Defendant Removal Rule”, July/August, 2018 edition of the [Tarrant County Bar Bulletin](#)
- [“Mechanic’s liens: How far does the lien reach?”](#), The Fort Worth Business Press for January 26, 2018
- Polzer, J., et. al (2014). Prosecuting the prosecutor: The makings of the Michael Morton Act. The Social Science Journal
- [Getting “Hometowned”: U.S. Supreme Court enforces forum selection clause](#), Fort Worth Business Press, February 7, 2014
- “Discounted Justice: The Potential Misuse of Alford Pleas for Future Exonorees”, John Polzer, Johnny Nhan, and Katherine Polzer, The Social Science Journal 50 (2013) 374-380
- “Business Friendly Rules Adopted By Texas Supreme Court”, John Polzer and Matthew Neill, Fort Worth Business Press, June, 2013.
- [“Selecting Counsel for Business Litigation”](#), Featured in the Fort Worth Business Press (2013-02-23)
- “Texas Supreme Court Clarifies Joint Defense and Common Interest Privileges”, CityBizList Dallas, August 28, 2012
- “Get Owner Involved to Support Mechanic’s Lien” published in the September 19-25 edition of the Fort Worth Business Press
- “Ipse Dixit – False Claims Litigation Against the Federal Government”
- “Mr. Sandman: Hot Topics in Building Construction”, presented at the 2010 Texas Association of Defense Council meeting, Contributing Author