

## Haleigh Jones Attorney

Haleigh has broad commercial litigation experience representing both plaintiffs and defendants at every stage of lawsuits involving real estate, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, business divorce, personal injury and tort litigation, and aviation. Haleigh has distinguished herself as an associate by her maturity in the courtroom. She has briefed and argued motions at every stage of litigation, deposed fact and expert witnesses, successfully mediated disputes at their infancy and on the eve of trial, tried and won cases as lead counsel, and briefed appeals and presented oral argument. While Haleigh has a passion for advocacy, she understands that the most effective solution to a legal dispute is often a business solution. To that end, Haleigh's focus in every case is leveraging business solutions to resolve a dispute at the earliest moment possible while maximizing the result for her client.

The most important component of Haleigh's practice is service to others. She is an attentive and zealous advocate for her clients, as well as a mentor and a servant of the local and state bar. She serves as the President-Elect of the 2023 Dallas Association of Young Lawyers and, recently chaired 2022 Dallas Association of Young Lawyers Foundation. Haleigh has participated in multiple leadership classes hosted by the State Bar of Texas and local bar associations. She also volunteers her time to coach SMU law students in moot court programs that compete nationally. Her 2022 spring competitors advanced to the national final round of the American Bar Association's National Appellate Advocacy Competition (defeating 177 teams) and claimed awards for the best brief in the country, the best oral advocate in the country, and the second-best oral advocate in the country.

During her time as a law student competitor, Haleigh won regional and national moot court competitions. In her final year of law school, Haleigh was recognized as a top-three advocate nationally by the American Bar Association, was named the Outstanding Graduating Advocate of SMU Dedman School of Law's graduating class, and was inducted into the prestigious National Order of the Barristers.

Today, Haleigh continues to be recognized for her ability to communicate effectively with courts in writing and in argument. The Dallas Women Lawyers Association recognized Haleigh as its 2021 "Rising Raggio." Haleigh has been named on D Magazine's List of "Best Lawyers Under 40" since 2021 and on Thomson Reuters' list of "Rising Stars" in the area of business litigation since 2019. Thomson Reuters has also recognized Haleigh on the lists of "Up-and-Coming 100" lawyers in Texas and "Up-and-Coming 50 Women," lawyers in Texas since 2022.



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### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Appellate  
Commercial  
Construction  
Employment  
Personal Injury

### **EDUCATION**

Southern Methodist University,  
Dedman School of Law, J.D.,  
*magna cum laude*, 2015

- Executive Editor, SMU Science & Technology Law, Vol. 17
- Staff Editor, SMU Science & Technology Law Review, Vol. 16
- Member, Order of the Barristers
- Frank Branson Trial Advocacy Scholar
- Fred C. Moss Outstanding Graduating Advocate

University of Cincinnati, B.A.,  
*summa cum laude*, 2012

- Spanish, Political Science
- Member, Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society
- Edward Coughlin Outstanding Spanish Scholar

### **ADMISSIONS**

State Bar of Texas, 2015  
U.S. District Courts for the  
Northern, Western and Eastern  
Districts of Texas

Prior to attending law school, Haleigh studied Spanish and Political Science at the University of Cincinnati, and worked in D.C. for Cincinnati Congressman Steve Chabot of the First District of Ohio. She joined Crawford, Wishnew & Lang PLLC after clerking for the Honorable Justice Douglas Lang of the Fifth District Court of Appeals of Texas and beginning her practice at an American Lawyer top-50 firm.

## **Awards & Recognition:**

- Up-and-Coming 100: 2022, 2023 Texas Rising Stars List
- Up-and-Coming 50: 2022, 2023 Women Texas Rising Stars
- Dallas Women Lawyers Association Annual “Rising Raggio” Award Recipient (2021)
- Named to D Magazine’s list of “Best Lawyers Under 40” (2021-2023)
- Designated as “Rising Star” by Texas Monthly and Law and Politics magazines (2019-2023)
- Director of the Year, Dallas Association of Young Lawyers (2019)
- Moot Court Coach of the Year, SMU Dedman School of Law Board of Advocates (2016)
- American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition (2015)
  - National Quarterfinalist
  - Third Best National Advocate
  - Regional Champion
  - Regional Best Advocate
- University of San Diego National Criminal Procedure Moot Court Competition (2014)
  - Tournament Champion
  - Second Best Brief
- Texas Young Lawyers Association State Moot Court Competition (2014)
  - Semifinalist
  - Best Respondent Brief

## **Professional Affiliations:**

- Member, Dallas Association of Young Lawyers Leadership Class of 2019
- Member, Texas State Bar Leadership Class of 2017
- Member, The William “Mac” Taylor American Inn of Court
- Dallas Bar Association
  - Member, S.T.E.E.R. Committee (2020)
  - Member, Professionalism Committee (2015, 2016)
  - Member, Judiciary Committee (2015, 2016)
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers
  - President-Elect (2023)
  - Vice-President (2022)
  - Treasurer (2021)
  - Secretary (2020)
  - Board of Directors (2017-present)
  - Dallas Association of Young Lawyers Foundation, Chair (2022)
  - Co-Chair, Women’s Mentoring Circles (2020)
  - Co-Chair, Solo and Small Firm Committee (2020)
  - Co-Chair, Judicial Intern Committee (2015, 2016)
  - Co-Chair, Trial Skills Boot Camp Committee (2015, 2016)

## **Community Involvement:**

- Moot Court Coach, SMU Dedman School of Law Board of Advocates (2015-2023)
- Mentor, SMU Dedman School of Law Mustang Exchange (2015, 2016)