



Colin R. Hatcher

Partner

Calm. Precise. Thorough.

"The candle does not burn to illuminate itself."

Born and raised in England, Colin emigrated to the USA in 1995 and graduated from Santa Clara Law School, California, in 2001. He was admitted to the California Bar in 2002 and the Texas Bar in 2008. Colin's entire legal career has been focused on insurance defense for major insurance companies, including Farmers, State Farm, USAA, Geico, Carolina Casualty, and Progressive Insurance.

As outside counsel, Colin specialized in defending catastrophic commercial 18-wheeler accidents, wrongful death claims, and other large loss claims, including devastating falls, landlord-tenant disputes, and mold and fire claims. Additionally, he has experience defending Texas workers' compensation claims statewide, both subscribers and non-subscribers.

Prior to joining SLG, Colin served for six years as a Senior In-House Counsel for Progressive Insurance in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. Colin joined SLG in January 2022. He currently handles the firm's substantial insurance defense docket.

Colin has a reputation for extensive and comprehensive legal knowledge, detailed and precise research and writing, thorough analysis and accuracy in claims evaluation, charismatic oral presentation before a jury, and a calm demeanor both in and out of court. If you are heading for a trial, you need Colin on your team.

Colin majored in theater and literature. He is a practicing martial artist of 46 years, is married, and has four children.

Representative Matters

- Served as a lead investigating attorney for a major national commercial trucking insurance company, spearheading a rapid response investigation and evidence preservation team for catastrophic commercial 18-wheeler accidents and other catastrophic commercial accidents.
- Served as a lead investigating attorney for multiple City Housing Authorities, investigating mold and other habitability issues in City housing disputes as well as private landlord-tenant disputes.
- Served as a lead investigating attorney for multiple Homeowners Associations, investigating construction issues in housing development disputes.

COLIN'S BACKGROUND

"Colin is the most knowledgeable. He is what I would call a 'legal technician.'"

Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America® 2024 Litigation - Insurance "Best Lawyers" | 2024

Admissions

- State Bar of Texas
- State Bar of California

Education

- Santa Clara Law School, Santa Clara, California
 - Law School High-Tech Certificate

Prior Legal Experience

- House Counsel II, Trial Attorney, Progressive Insurance Company
- Trial Attorney, Silvera & Associates
- Trial Attorney, Intrieri, Alameda
- Trial Attorney, Special Counsel, Cholakian & Associates
- Trial Attorney, Mitchell, Gingerich & Loquaci

Associations, Affiliations, and Bar Activities

- Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Member
- Dallas Bar Association Member

Legal Publications & Presentations

- Playing the Covid Card in Statute of Limitations Disputes - Update on Texas Cases, TADC | July 2023
- Claims Confidentiality: Plaintiff's Access to Claim Documents & Ability to Depose Claims Adjusters, Dallas Chapter CPCU Society Annual Meeting | August 2022
- Speaker, In Re Allstate & Consequences On Defense Litigation Presentation, TADC Conference. Montana | 2022
- Speaker, In Re Allstate & Consequences On Defense Litigation Presentation, Examworks Conference | October 2021

Community Engagement & Volunteering

- 9/11 Day Dallas Meal Pack | September 2022