

Stewart Law Group We're on Defense.

SLG TRIAL EXPERIENCE

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REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS AND TRIAL EXPERIENCE

SLG Team members have tried numerous first-chair jury trials across Texas and other states with multiple catastrophic and wrongful death cases valued at \$5,000,000-\$1.3 billion.



Amy M. Stewart Founding Partner Intuitive | Strategic | Relentless

In 2022, Amy was selected by <u>Texas Lawyer</u> as one of the three Top Attorneys In Texas. She is sought after trial counsel who is hired in the late stage of litigation to take the case to the jury. She and her team made history by conducting the <u>first-ever Zoom</u> <u>summary jury trial</u> after the 2020 pandemic. In her 15+ year career, she has handled six jury trials (five to verdict), two bench trials, and over twenty-five labor and employment arbitrations. She is also a certified Arbitrator for employment, construction, and commercial matters through American Arbitration Association, FINRA, and International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution Panel of Distinguished Neutrals.

Labor & Employment

- No trial verdicts for employment related matters. Lawsuits normally resolved at summary judgment stage or settlement.
- Serves as national labor and employment counsel for Frito Lay. Handled over 25 labor and employment arbitrations to award over the last eight years. Lost one case.
- Serves as national labor counsel for American Airlines. Handled over 5 labor arbitrations to award over last three years. Lost only one case.

Property Damage

- Three trials as first chair in four years in first party cases
 - Defended insurer in Dallas federal court in bad faith and property damage case involving over \$1M in damages from deadly Rowlett tornado. Zero defense verdict.
 - Defend insurer in Dallas County (plaintiff friendly jurisdiction) in bad faith and property damage case involving over \$250k in damages. Zero defense verdict.
 - Defend insurer in bad faith lawsuit in Dallas County in first party auto property case involving counterclaims of fraud and breach of contract against insured. **Settlement reached before jury verdict.**

Personal Injury

- Two trials as first chair in three years
 - Served on large trial team for hip implant manufacturer in three-month multi-district litigation in Texas federal court. Assigned to examine five plaintiffs and three medical experts. Large Plaintiff verdict. Mark Lanier served as lead counsel.
 - Served on a trial team for international golf car manufacturer in a \$1.3B lawsuit related to a young boy's life-threatening injuries in Dallas County district court (plaintiff friendly jurisdiction). Examined medical damage experts, a young boy who witnessed the accident, plaintiff's family members, and defended and examined in-house legal counsel on warning issues.
 Zero Defense Verdict.

Commercial/Trade Secrets

- Three trials in ten years
 - Represented plaintiff Microsoft software consultant company as second chair in breach of contract and misappropriation of trade secrets federal lawsuit in Atlanta, Georgia. Took key defense witnesses adverse in Plaintiff's case in chief and delivered closing arguments to jury. Full plaintiff verdict on appeal to 11th Circuit.
 - Represent bankruptcy trustee as first chair in Dallas County district court to collect defendant's fraudulent transfers. Full
 plaintiff verdict for bankruptcy trustee.
 - Defended Amazon as first chair in Dallas County Justice of the Peace court on customer's breach of contract and fraud suit.
 Zero Defense Verdict.

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Andrea Cook Managing Partner Dedicated | Diligent | Tenacious.

With over ten years of experience litigating a substantial variety of insurance defense cases, Andrea has an extensive advantage to thrive in many sectors; including but not limited to handling and defending complex expert and corporate matters. Additionally, she is experienced in defending clients in complex litigation involving product liability, trucking claims, business litigation, and catastrophic injuries. Prior to joining SLG, Andrea worked in the insurance defense departments at Thompson Coe and Clark Hill.

Before heading to Texas, Andrea served as a municipal attorney for the City of Chicago where she gained valuable trial experience defending in police misconduct cases involving false imprisonment, excessive force, and wrongful death. She has litigated first-party insurance claims involving catastrophic injuries, property, and personal insurance claims, as well as third-party casualty matters.

Personal Injury/Premise Liability

- Eight total jury trials to verdict
 - Tried five federal jury trials to verdict in the Northern District of Illinois involving allegations of police misconduct stemming from false arrest, false imprisonment, illegal search and seizure, and wrongful death.
 - Tried one two-week trial in Illinois state court involving a death in custody.
 - Tried two Dallas County premises liability cases defending a local retail store with allegations of physical disfigurement and substantial medical damages.
- Other experience
 - Served as an arbitrator with the Cook County Mandatory Arbitration Program
 - Negotiated \$1.2 million settlement involving a major retail company involving a catastrophic vehicular collision
 - Won a summary judgment for a national logistics company concerning third-party liability and indemnity that is being used for all similar cases filed across the country
 - Represented several retail companies and developed a strategic approach to early settlements in Texas to keep costs low
 - Managed a large docket of cases involving a national home goods store with cases stemming from premises liability to wrongful detentions
 - Represented several retail department stores, grocery stores, and apartment complexes in premises liability cases involving major medical damages as well as permanent disfigurement
 - Represented a major furniture company in TCPA and DTPA cases that were set for arbitration
 - Involved in substantial litigation involving major trucking and automobile accidents
 - Assisted in the successful resolution of several cases involving catastrophic injuries and TBIs involving fitness and recreational equipment.

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Colin R. Hatcher Partner Calm | Precise | Thorough

Born and raised in England, Colin immigrated to the USA in 1995 and graduated from Santa Clara Law School, California, in 2001. He entered 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, he 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. Prior to joining SLG, Colin served for six years as a Senior In-House Counsel for Progressive Insurance in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Personal Injury/Commercial Trucking Experience

- Colin has first chaired 50 jury trials to verdict.
 - Split roughly half in California and half in Texas.
- Out of these 50 jury trials, he has taken five commercial trucking cases to verdict.
 - Defense verdict in double fatality collision between commercial truck and car, where the car had broken down at night on a sharp bend of freeway and truck driver was accused of speeding.
- Other experience
 - Served as a lead investigative attorney for Carolina Casualty Insurance Company, Farmers Insurance Company, and Progressive Insurance Company representing companies across the USA in catastrophic accidents.
 - Specialized in same-day arrival at fatality scene, interviews with material witnesses, and liaison with electronic data retrieval experts (ECM, etc) and accident reconstruction experts.
 - Extensive experience interviewing company staff and gathering evidence on compliance matters.
 - Negotiated favorable settlement in 107 vehicle pile-up with multiple fatalities for driver and trucking company.
 - Represented Defendant driver and trucking company and negotiated favorable settlement in a case where a truck driver ran a stop sign killing 4 people.
 - Represented Defendant driver and trucking company in a major multi-vehicle collision in a dedicated truck freeway in wet weather, involving 27 commercial trucks, with 5 fatalities.
 - Represented driver and trucking company, and negotiated a \$2,000,000 settlement for client in what was eventually a \$49 million verdict case where two 18-wheelers collided head-on crushing a car between them, and where client fell asleep at the wheel.

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