



MARK S. WERBNER

Shareholder

Mark S. Werbner is considered by his peers to be one of the nation's most accomplished trial lawyers. He has extensive courtroom experience, having tried more than 150 jury cases across a broad range of areas throughout Texas and the United States. Helping businesses as well as individuals, Mark's focus is on complex business litigation and white-collar criminal defense.

Mark remembers the many times he has stood in a courtroom with his client before a verdict is read, and he understands what an important moment that is in a person's life. As both a trial lawyer and counselor, he sees it as his job to listen to potential clients, to learn as much about their situation as he can, and then to show what he can do to help them.

Practice Areas: Business Litigation, White Collar Criminal Defense, Healthcare Fraud, Securities & Financial Fraud

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REPRESENTATIVE CASES

Mark's courtroom accomplishments include some of the largest jury verdicts in the country, and his work has been widely recognized by both his colleagues and the press. He is lead co-counsel for [Terror Victims v. Arab Bank](#), a groundbreaking international terrorism lawsuit that has been featured on the Fox News Channel, Court TV, The Wall Street Journal, and other national and international media. In 2014, Mark helped convince a New York federal jury to issue liability findings against Arab Bank, clearing the way for a financial damages trial. The verdict represented the first time in U.S. history that a foreign bank has been found liable for materially supporting terrorism.

In May 2015, Mark argued and won a [U.S. Supreme Court ruling](#) in a patent infringement case where the firm previously had won a sizable judgment. The original jury verdict was recognized by *VerdictSearch* and *Texas Lawyer* newspaper as one of the top 10 verdicts statewide in 2011.

In October 2017 Mark returned to the U.S. Supreme Court, as it considered whether corporations could face liability for violating the Alien Tort Statute in *Jesner v. Arab Bank*.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Lawyer of the Year by *The Best Lawyers in America* for Criminal Defense: White-Collar, Dallas/Fort Worth, 2018
- Top 10 Super Lawyers in Texas by Thomson Reuters in 2017
- [Trial Lawyer of the Year by Public Justice](#), 2016
- *Best Lawyers in America* for White Collar Criminal Defense in 2018
- Tier 1 Ranking of Best Law Firms by *U.S. News/Best Lawyers* 2017
- Recognized as one of the nation's Top Commercial Litigation Attorneys by *Benchmark Litigation*, 2018
- Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, an invitation-only national legal organization
- *Best Lawyers in America* for Bet-the-Company Litigation and Commercial Litigation
- [Trial Lawyer of the Year by the Dallas Bar Association](#), 2011
- Trial Lawyer of the Year, Texas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, 2002
- Recognized among the Leaders in Their Field in Commercial Litigation by *Chambers USA*, 2013-2018
- Fellow in the International Society of Barristers
- Advocate in the American Board of Trial Advocates

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HONORS AND AWARDS (CONT.)



PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Board Certified in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization
Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization
U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas

EDUCATION

Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*
The University of Texas, B.A. with High Honors

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"Fighting Terror-Financing in the Courtroom," Austin Litigation Update Institute, January 2018
"Little v. Arab Bank," Waco and College Station ABOTA Judicial Dinner, November 2017
"Winning the Hard Cases," Dallas Bar Association, March 2017
"Trial Skills Bootcamp - Cross Examination," Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, June 2015
"Litigating Terror Financing," University of California Hastings School of Law, February 2015
"Cross-Examination in a Criminal Case," 6th Annual Criminal Defense Trial Skills & Trial Law Program presented by The Center for American and International Law, 2010

NEWS

[Supreme Court Rules Against Cisco in Patent Case](#)
[Crusade Against Terrorism Ends in Victory for Dallas Lawyer](#)
[Multimillion-Dollar Verdict in Bus Crash Case](#)
[Zion's Avenger](#)
[Court TV Airs Texas Bus Crash Trial](#)
[U.S. Supreme Court Victory in Patent Infringement Case](#)
[Liability Verdict Against Arab Bank in Terrorism Case](#)
[Multimillion-Dollar Hedge Fund Defense Win](#)
[Multimillion-Dollar Million Patent Infringement Verdict](#)
[2011 Dallas Bar Association Trial Lawyer of the Year](#)