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PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation

EDUCATION

JD, 1999, *cum laude*,
Tulane University
School of Law, Tulane
Law Review, Managing
Editor

BA, 1996, Government,
University of Virginia

ADMITTED

Texas 2002

North Carolina 1999

US District Court for the
Northern District of
Texas

US District Court for the
Eastern District of
Texas

US District Court for the
Western District of
Texas

Jason's practice involves complex commercial litigation, focusing on representation of domestic and foreign businesses, financial institutions, and investment companies in courts and non-judicial forums. His practice includes litigation involving intellectual property, antitrust issues, contract disputes, and business tort claims.

Jason brings substantial trial experience to the clients of Andrews Kurth LLP. He has personally taken over twenty trials to verdict, with the majority before a jury.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Representation of a family of investment funds in a \$100+ million dispute regarding a failed roll-up strategy and the eventual bankruptcy of acquisition targets.
- Representation of three national banks in patent infringement litigation over check imaging technology (Eastern District of Texas).
- Representation of a banking and financial services company in certificate-holder litigation involving its role as trustee for commercial mortgage backed securities trusts; successfully obtained summary judgment.
- Representation of a media company in patent infringement litigation regarding integrated inventory management systems for radio stations (Eastern District of Texas).
- Representation of an independent refining company in connection with antitrust litigation over the \$1.5 billion acquisition of a refining and petroleum marketing company.
- Representation of a mortgage lender in a multi-million dollar dispute regarding allegations of trespass, conversion, and illegal debt collection actions; successfully obtained summary judgment in favor of client on all claims and counterclaims.

ARTICLES/PUBLICATIONS

- "Lawyers in Arms" [Texas Lawyer cover page](#) (September 27, 2004)
- "Midnight Stole My Impala, So I Shot Him"; Handguns and Personal Defense in Louisiana [73 Tulane Law Review 331](#) (November 1998)

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- United States v. Branch: Standard of Evidence Sufficient to Require a Self-Defense Instruction [72 Tulane Law Review 1461](#) (March 1998)

PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

Member

- Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Disabled American Veterans

Captain, US Army (1999-2007)

In March 2003, Jason was called upon to deploy with the US Army as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Sadr City/Baghdad from April 2003 to March 2004 as the International Law Officer for the Civil Affairs battalion charged with rebuilding the infrastructure, courts and government of Iraq. His focus included the establishment and training of district councils, the assessment and repair of the judicial system, and training Iraqi security forces in human rights and international law.