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Will Craven focuses his practice on national litigation, insurance coverage, and regulatory matters. Merging business and government knowledge, litigation, and coverage experience, Will offers an uncommon perspective to his clients.

Will's litigation experience includes complex insurance coverage and bad faith matters involving professional liability, casualty and specialty, and commercial property policies issued by domestic and international insurers. Will also represents insureds and self-insureds in commercial and business litigation, including breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, tortious interference, and fraud lawsuits. Will possesses the skills necessary to efficiently and effectively litigate high-stakes cases in state and federal courts to conclusion, having obtained favorable results at both the trial and appellate court level.

In addition to his litigation practice, Will provides independent advice and counsel to guide clients through complex coverage, regulatory, and business challenges. Will regularly prepares coverage opinions and position letters for his clients, providing practical solutions and efficient resolution of large claims. Will strives to understand both the tangible and intangible risks involved with each particular transaction or claim, keeping in mind the current business climate and the client's bottom line.

Will's regulatory experience includes navigating state and federal legislation governing accident and health, life, workers compensation, and employee benefit policies and plans, as well as broker/agent licensing and surplus lines issues. Will also assists his clients in complying with state and federal law in handling claims involving ERISA, having developed internal policies and procedures for responding to subrogation claims made against his clients. Further, Will knows the nuances of the workers compensation laws in Texas and other jurisdictions, and is equipped to work with state departments of insurance to protect his client's interests.

Prior to law school, Will graduated *summa cum laude* from Mississippi State University and interned with a U.S. congressman. Will also worked in Exxon Mobil's tax department. Will graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Mississippi School of Law in 2012, where he served as business manager and member of the Corporate Board of the Mississippi Law Journal. Will began his legal career as an associate at a large international law firm where he received the firm's Coverage Excellence award and published annual law review articles on insurance topics. Active in the North Texas community, Will frequently provides pro bono legal services, participates in Habitat for Humanity projects, and enjoys networking with his local alumni chapters and other professional groups.

Practice Areas

- Insurance Coverage
- Bad Faith
- Professional Liability Insurance Coverage
- Casualty & Specialty Lines Coverage

Education

- University of Mississippi School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2012
- Mississippi State University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2009

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Court Admissions

- Texas Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Western District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Texas

Affiliations

Dallas Bar Association

Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

Awards & Honors

- Texas Rising Star 2020
- Business Manager, Mississippi Law Journal

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