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For over 35 years, Leo Jordan has concentrated his practice in insurance coverage disputes representing underwriters and insurance companies in the United States and London markets.

Mr. Jordan's practice primarily involves representation of first-party property insurers on commercial claims, but also includes bad faith litigation, arson and fraud cases, UM/UIM lawsuits and insurance coverage issues under property, life, and liability policies as well as ERISA, health, and accidental death policies.



He completed his undergraduate studies at Illinois Wesleyan University, graduating summa cum laude in 1977 with a bachelor of arts degree. He earned his law degree in 1981 at University of Illinois College of Law. He is licensed to practice in Texas, and admitted to practice before the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Texas, and the Texas Supreme Court, as well as the District of Colorado.

Mr. Jordan is a member of the American Bar Association, Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas Claims Association, Defense Research Institute, State Bar of Texas, Loss Executives Association, and the National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators.

From 1997-2007, he served as Vice-Chairman of the Property Insurance Committee of the American Bar Association. He also served the American Bar Association as Young Lawyers Representative (1987-1989), Vice-Chairman, Communications Committee, Tort and Insurance Practice Section (1990-1992), Associate Editor, Tort and Insurance Law Journal (1990-1992), Vice-Chairman, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee (1990-1993), Regional Editor for the Property Insurance newsletters, and Fire and Homeowner's Annotations.

He is rated by Martindale-Hubbell® as "AV® Pre-eminent™ (5.0)" which is peer recognition of the highest ratings for professional ethics and legal abilities. Best's Directory of Recommended Insurance Attorneys and Adjusters has also recommended him (2013-2018) and the firm.

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Reported Cases

Security National Insurance Company v. Waloon Investment, Inc., 384 S.W.3d 901 (Tex. App.—Houston [14th Dist. 2012] 2012, no pet.);

In re Security National Insurance Company, No. 14-10-00009-CV, 2010 WL 1609247 (Tex. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] Apr. 22, 2010, orig. proceeding) (mem. op.);

In re Texas Windstorm Insurance Association, No. 09-03-276CV (Tex. App.—Beaumont, Oct. 30, 2003);

Data Specialties, Inc. v. Transcontinental Insurance Company, 125 F.3d 909 (5th Cir. 1997);

Barrientos v. Reliance Standard Life Insurance Company, 1911 F.2d 1115 (5th Cir. 1990), cert. denied, 498 U.S. 1072 (1991);

Moody v. Commercial Ins. Co. of Newark, NJ, 753 F. Supp. 198 (N.D. Tex. 1990);

National Union Fire Ins. Co. v. Hoffman, 746 S.W.2d 305 (Tex. App.—Dallas 1988, no writ);

Reeves v. Federal Savings & Loan Ins. Corp., 732 S.W.2d 380 (Tex. App.—Dallas 1987, no writ);

Hochheim Prairie Farm Mut. Ins. v. Burnett, 698 S.W.2d 271 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth 1985, no writ).

Representative Cases

Former television sports vice-president sued document storage facility for \$44 million for destruction of sports anthology videos. Case settled for less than one-tenth of 1 percent of claimed value.

Represented French marine insurer in nuisance settlement of cargo incorrectly delivered into Mexico and confiscated by Mexican government.

Successful resolution for marine underwriter involving claim for damage to oilfield equipment in the North Atlantic.

Successful resolution of arson defense at computer-board manufacturing facility.

Successful low-dollar resolution of tornado loss at historic shopping center.

Favorable results for insurers attained in mold and construction defect claims involving shopping malls, office buildings, hotels, apartment complexes, and residences.

Weather-related losses, theft, arson, and fraud investigations and damage evaluations under state-promulgated, excess, and surplus lines policies throughout Gulf Coast states.

Numerous hurricane damage lawsuits and insurance appraisal resolutions.

Conducted hundreds of examinations under oath to assist in claim investigations.

Publications & Presentations

“Good Faith Compliance in Suspected Arson & Insurance Fraud Claims,” National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators, Insurance Fraud Seminar, Columbus, Ohio, November 2017;

“Appraising the Property Loss,” The University of Texas School of Law, 20th Annual Insurance Law Institute November 2015;

“The Ethics of Appraising the Property Loss,” Honorable Order of the Blue Goose, July 2015;

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Publications & Presentations Cont.

Panel Discussion on “Wind v. Water?” American Bar Association Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona, February 2015;

“Adjusting and Appraising the Business Interruption Claim”; Presentation to the American Bar Association Property Insurance Law Committee, 2012;

“An Introduction to Builder’s Risk Insurance and AIA Requirements,” by Leo John Jordan, Construction News, February 2010;

Chapter on “Jury Issues and Policy Interpretation” in Property Insurance Litigator’s Handbook, American Bar Association (2d ed. 2013; 1st ed. 2007);

Recent Developments in Property Insurance Law, 38 Tort & Insurance Law Journal 657 (2003);

Recent Developments in Property Insurance Law, 37 Tort & Insurance Law Journal 657 (2002);

Recent Developments in Property Insurance Law, 36 Tort & Insurance Law Journal 549 (2001);

“Payment and Denial of Claims,” Insuring Real Property (Matthew Bender & Co. 1989);

“What Price Rebuilding?”, 19 Brief 17 (Fall 1990) – This article was cited by SR International Business Ins. Co. v. World Trade Properties LLC, 2006 WL 3073220 (S.D.N.Y. October 31, 2006), in which the court in a 9/11 case recognized Mr. Jordan as an expert in the property insurance field;

Authored numerous articles and spoke at national conventions (ABA, DRI) and locally (Dallas and Fort Worth Claims Associations) on property insurance, bad faith, and insurance coverage issues to attorneys, claims representatives, and claims executives.

