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Charles S. Siegel

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Charles Siegel is a partner in Waters Kraus Paul & Siegel's Dallas office, where he heads the firm's appellate practice.

His work has helped shape important legal precedents in mesothelioma and toxic exposure litigation, expand the firm's ability to represent injury victims from around the world in U.S. courts, and establish its qui tam practice as one of the most successful and respected in the country.

Charles has been on the front lines of some of the firm's most significant litigation. He has argued appeals in nine federal circuits, seven state supreme courts and numerous intermediate appellate courts around the country. He has appeared in state and federal trial courts in more than 35 states and in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. His appellate work has produced key rulings affecting mass tort and injury litigation, including cases involving mesothelioma and toxic exposure. That experience has also been instrumental in helping victims from other countries pursue justice in U.S. courts.

Charles originated the firm's qui tam whistleblower practice over 20 years ago. Together with partner Caitlyn Silhan, they have built it into a nationally-recognized and innovative practice representing people who expose fraud, waste and abuse against the government. The firm represents whistleblowers in cases brought under the False Claims Act and other federal and state laws.

His advocacy has extended beyond the courtroom. Charles has testified twice before the United States House of Representatives and before the Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica, as well as many times before the Texas Legislature and other state legislatures. He is a frequent speaker at legal seminars in the United States and abroad and has served as a guest lecturer at law schools in Texas, New York and Poland.

Charles considers himself fortunate to work every day on challenging cases and to represent clients whose interests he believes in. Whether his client is someone who has suffered a devastating physical injury, a widow whose spouse was killed, or a whistleblower who has exposed commercial fraud, Charles knows which side of the courtroom he wants to be on: the side of the person who has been harmed.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Appellate

Asbestos

Birth Injury

International

Opioid

Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices

Qui Tam Whistleblower / False Claims Act

Toxic Tort

BAR ADMISSIONS

Texas, 1985

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin School of Law, J.D., 1985

University of Texas at Austin, B.A., 1982

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

American Association for Justice
- Member, Amicus Curiae Committee
- Member, Legal Affairs Committee
- Member, Public Education Committee

American Bar Association
- Task Force on Asbestos Bankruptcy Trusts

Dallas Bar Association

Public Justice Foundation
- Member, and former Director

State FCA and Whistleblower Group Committee

Taxpayers Against Fraud

Texas Trial Lawyers Association

The Anti-Fraud Coalition ("TAF")

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HONORS & AWARDS

Best Lawyers in America©, Best Lawyers©, 2025-2027

Texas Super Lawyers, Thomson Reuters, 2003-2012, 2023-2026

Texas Civil Rights Project, Kristi Couvillon Pro Bono Award, 2016

Texas' Top Rated Lawyers" list, Martindale-Hubbell®, 2013- 2016

American Association for Justice, Wiedemann Wysocki National Finance Council Award, 2013

Trial Lawyers for Public Justice, Trial Lawyer of the Year Award Finalist, 1990

AV® Preeminent™, Martindale-Hubbell®

HIGHLIGHTS

Milestone Reached in Texas Online Voter Registration

Family of College Football Hall of Famer Sues Helmet Maker

Texas Now Allows Limited Online Voter Registration

Texas in Violation of Voting Registration Law

Texas Orthodontist Found Responsible for Medicaid Fraud

Nursing Home Chain Settles Medicare Fraud Allegations for $10M

Investors' Claims Against Wells Fargo Cleared to Move Forward

TCRP: Court Rules in Favor of Texas Voters

Voters Move Forward with Suit Against Texas

State Called Out for Continuing to Violate the Federal Voter Law

$3.5M Settlement in Walgreens Healthcare Fraud Case

$1.6M Settlement Reached in Medicare Fraud Case

Lawsuit Seeks to Restore Voting Rights of Miss.'s African-American Voters

State Ordered to Comply with NVRA

A Win for Texas Motor Voter Registrants on All Counts

Federal Judge Rules that Texas is Violating "Motor Voter" Law

Mental Health Center Settles Whistleblower Case for $4M

Houston Doctor Settles Medicare Fraud Charges for $1.5M

Rebar Whistleblower Lawsuit Settles for $4.6 Million

Whistleblower Case Against Walgreens Results in $9.9 Million Settlement

Federal Court Denies Texas' Motion to Dismiss "Motor Voter" Case

Whistleblower Case Against BTG Results in $36M Civil and Criminal Settlement

Charles Siegel to Receive 2016 Kristi Couvillon Award for Pro Bono Work with Battleground Texas

Whistleblower Claims Lead to $30M Settlement for CDI

Government Recovers $8.86M Settlement in Assisted Living Fraud

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Fraud & White Collar Crime Virtual Round Table 2015

Charles Siegel Receives Prestigious Justice Association Award

Waters Kraus Paul & Siegel Congratulates TAF Whistleblower of the Year Allen Jones

The History of DBCP from a Judicial Perspective

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Law Review: Review of Litigation, University of Texas, 1983-1984

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