

# Jackson Walker Elects 13 to Partnership in Four Texas Offices

Jackson Walker announced the election of 13 attorneys to the firm's partnership. They are:

**Austin:** Collin Baker, Tyler Davey, William Dillard, Noah Galton, Andee Hartig, Kati Orso, David Snyder, Scott Weatherford, Jennifer Wertz

**Dallas:** Edwin Buffmire

**Houston:** Carey Hain, Lindsey Moorhead

**San Antonio:** Stephen Calhoun

Collin M. Baker's practice focuses on the representation of foreign and domestic institutional investors with respect to their alternative assets investments, which include private equity funds, venture capital funds, real estate funds, energy funds and separate managed accounts. He has experience representing private and public companies in the acquisition and divestiture of oil and gas properties, as well as their general oil and gas contracts, including oil and gas leases, joint operating agreements, unit operating agreements and processing agreements. Baker received his J.D., with honors, from the University of Texas School of Law, where he served as Associate Editor of *The Review of Litigation*.

Edwin Buffmire represents clients in antitrust, white collar criminal, class action, and other sensitive investigations and complex disputes. Prior to Jackson Walker, Buffmire served as a judicial law clerk on the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He received his J.D., cum laude, from Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, where he served as the Senior Article Editor of the *Northwestern University Law Review*. He has been admitted to the Supreme Court of Texas,

the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth, Ninth, and Tenth Circuits, and the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas. Since 2017, Thomson Reuters' Super Lawyers has named him a "Rising Star." Outside his practice, Edwin serves on the State Bar of Texas Antitrust and Business Litigation Section Council.

Stephen Calhoun represents plaintiffs and defendants in a wide range of complex commercial disputes, including contract claims, real estate matters, healthcare issues, and class actions. He also defends organizations and individuals against significant injury and property-damage claims. He received his J.D., with highest honors, from the University of Texas School of Law, where he served on the Texas Law Review as an Articles Editor. Before starting private practice, Calhoun served as a law clerk for Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. He has been named a "Rising Star" in Thomson Reuters' Super Lawyers since 2014 and a "Best S.A. Lawyer" in San Antonio Scene since 2017.

Tyler P. Davey began his career as a corporate attorney at a large Silicon Valley-based law firm, where he represented entrepreneurs and their companies in private equity and public securities transactions. Davey also assists individuals and professional fiduciaries with estate and trust administration matters. He received his J.D. from Santa Clara University School of Law, and an LL.M. in Estate Planning from the University of Miami School of Law.

William B. Dillard maintains a business transactions practice with an emphasis on real estate and finance, focusing primarily in the areas of buying, selling, financing, developing and leasing commercial real estate. A large part of his practice involves commercial real estate development, as well as representing landlords and tenants in commercial leases, including long-term ground leases, build-to-suit, retail, office, medical, and industrial leases. He received his J.D., cum laude, from the University of Houston Law Center

and studied abroad with the University of Barcelona's International and Comparative Law Institute. Outside his practice, William is a member of the Real Estate Council of Austin and a Life Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Noah Galton's practice focuses on commercial litigation, including eminent domain, real estate litigation, and general business litigation. Galton has successfully prosecuted numerous lawsuits to jury verdict and has appeared in dozens of administrative hearings across the State. In the context of eminent domain, Noah has represented electricity providers, oil/gas midstream and interstate pipeline companies, railroads, municipal utility districts, regional mobility authorities, and school districts in conjunction with extensive public projects aimed at expanding critical infrastructure in Texas. While working toward his J.D. at the University of Virginia School of Law, he served on the Editorial Board of the Virginia Environmental Law Journal. Recently, the Texas Bar Foundation elected Noah to fellowship. Outside his practice, he serves on the Waller Creek Conservancy Development Committee, is a member of the International Right of Way Association, and has served as a guest speaker at the University of Texas School of Law.

Carey Hain focuses on all aspects of commercial real estate transactions, including the acquisition, disposition, financing, and leasing of office space, mixed-use centers, multi-family complexes, and undeveloped property. She also represents borrowers and lenders in interim, permanent, and construction financing secured by real estate. In addition, she regularly assists tenants and landlords in office and retail leasing matters and operational and property management issues. Hain received her J.D., cum laude, from South Texas College of Law Houston and her B.A. from Rice University. Outside her practice, she is involved in the NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Development Association, Rice "R" Association, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo's Calf Scramble Committee,

Houston Zoo Flock, and the Houston Young Lawyers Association.

Andee L. Hartig represents public and private companies, real estate investment trusts, real estate investment funds and institutional real estate investors as sellers, purchasers, developers, and equity investors in the acquisition, development, debt and equity financing, management, leasing, and sale of improved and unimproved real estate. Her experience includes multi-asset portfolio acquisitions and dispositions, joint ventures, and the acquisition and disposition of real estate assets through various corporate and partnership structures. Prior to Jackson Walker, Hartig worked in the corporate office of Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide. She received her J.D., summa cum laude, from Baylor Law School, where she served on the Baylor Law Review and Baylor Moot Court Team. Outside her practice, Hartig serves as a Director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Austin Area.

Lindsey C. Moorhead represents clients dealing with a wide range of environmental matters, including site cleanups, remediation and pipeline projects. She received her J.D., cum laude, from South Texas College of Law Houston, where she was named the Most Outstanding Female Graduate and served as the Editor-in-Chief of the South Texas Law Review. Last year, Lindsey was recognized by Chambers USA as an Associate to Watch in Environment-Texas and was elected a Texas Bar Foundation Fellow. She has been admitted to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First and Fifth Circuits and the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas. Outside her practice, she is involved with the American and Houston Bar Associations, the Houston Young Lawyers Association, the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity's Pathfinder Program, South Texas College of Law's Young Alumni Council and Alumni Association.

Kati Orso assists clients in commercial real estate transactions, including acquisition, disposition, development of retail projects, and leasing of office, retail, restaurant,

medical office building space. In addition, Orso's practice includes representing publicly traded and privately held companies in the acquisition of large multi-state property portfolios ranging in value from \$250 million to \$7.6 billion. Orso previously served as in-house counsel for a full-service real estate company with an emphasis on retail leasing and development. She received her J.D. from the University of Houston, where she received the Ewer-Oren J.D. Health Law Writing Award, the Dean's Award, and served as Chief Articles Editor of the Journal of Consumer and Commercial Law. Orso is involved with the Real Estate Council of Austin, the International Council of Shopping Centers, and the Junior League of Austin.

David A. Snyder focuses on private equity and mergers and acquisitions. Much of Snyder's practice consists of fund formation on behalf of both institutional investors and sponsors. Snyder also represents private equity funds, investors and private and public companies in buy-side and sell-side M&A deals, co-investments and private equity investments, as well as venture capital and growth-stage financings, technology transactions, securities law compliance, corporate governance and other general corporate matters. He received his J.D., with honors, from the University of Texas School of Law, where he served as the Chief Articles Editor of the Texas Law Review.

Scott W. Weatherford's trial practice focuses on trade secret, intellectual property, and technology-related commercial disputes. Scott advocates on behalf of Fortune 500 companies, start-ups, and local business owners in state courts, federal courts, arbitrations, and administrative agencies across the state. While working toward his J.D. at Baylor Law School, Weatherford participated in Baylor's renowned trial advocacy program. He has been admitted to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas. In 2018,

the Texas Bar Foundation elected him to fellowship and he currently serves on the nominating committee. Outside his practice, Weatherford is involved with the Central Texas Food Bank, Junior Achievement of Central Texas, Austin Stone Community Church, and the Austin Young Lawyers Association.

Jennifer F. Wertz represents a variety of stakeholders involved in bankruptcy proceedings and related complex litigation. She has significant experience in the healthcare, energy, and telecommunications industries. Prior to joining Jackson Walker, Wertz clerked for the Honorable H. Christopher Mott, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Texas. She received her J.D., magna cum laude, from Texas Tech University School of Law, where she served on the Texas Tech Law Review and the Board of Barristers. Wertz has been admitted to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas, and the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas. Outside her practice, she serves as Treasurer for the Texas Women Lawyers and is Vice-President of the Austin Bar Association Bankruptcy Section Council. She also serves as the Chapter 11 debtor representative for Court Liaison Committee for the Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas. She is a member of the Larry E. Kelly Inn of Court and the American Bankruptcy Institute.