

## DOUG FLETCHER | PARTNER

Doug Fletcher, Founding and Senior Partner, began his career as an Assistant District Attorney for the Dallas County, Texas and successfully prosecuted over 300 jury trials. Beginning his career in civil litigation in 1981, he has brought the same prosecutorial focus to the successful defense of corporations throughout the State of Texas.

Over the past 20 years Doug has successfully litigated over 145 trials to verdict in matters ranging from complex personal injury, transportation, product liability, premises liability, Dram Shop liability and many other matters involving serious exposure to the firm's corporate clients. His practice has evolved from classic trial representation to more expanded conflict resolution, and now includes conducting mediations for the Gilbert Mediation Group. Doug is commonly involved in pre-litigation investigations and negotiations on behalf of the Firm's clients. His involvement has successfully avoided litigation in numerous matters and has achieved early conflict resolution.

Doug is a prolific speaker and educator and was recognized by his peers in the legal community as a top attorney in Texas in the October Texas Monthly magazine, October 2010.

### Seminars and Presentations

Recent Cases: Impact on the Insured, Texas Law Update, 2002  
Trial of a Dram Shop Case, Texas Law Update, 2002  
When Accidents Become Crimes, Texas Law Update, 2003  
Adjusting the Serious Claim Case, Texas Law Update, 2004  
Did Litigation Survive House Bill 4?, Texas Law Update, 2004  
Adjusting the False Arrest/Malicious Prosecution Case, Texas Law Update, 2005  
Adjusting the Serious Product Liability Claim, Texas Law Update, 2006  
Adjusting the Employer Liability Death Claim, Texas Law Update, 2007  
Interpreting Medical Records and Emergency Reports, Texas Law Update, 2008  
Ethics: Are You Smarter Than Your Defense Lawyer?, Texas Law Update, 2009  
Premises Liability, Advanced Personal Injury Law Course, Texas Bar CLE, 2010  
Ethics, It's Not Just a Game, Texas Law Update, 2010  
Using 21st Century Technology To Adjust Catastrophic Claims, Texas Law Update, 2011  
The Effective Use of Mediation in Conflict Resolution, Texas Law Update, 2012  
Conducting a Post-Catastrophic Incident Investigation Interaction with State and Federal Authorities, Texas Law Update, 2013

### Professional Associations and Memberships

State Bar of Texas  
Dallas Bar Association  
Claims & Litigation Management Alliance  
Dallas Association of Defense Counsel  
Texas Association of Defense Counsel  
Trucking Industry Defense Association  
Defense Research Institute  
Defense Research Institute Trucking Law Sub-Committee  
Transportation Lawyers Association  
Christian Legal Society



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### Areas of Practice

Complex litigation & multi-party negotiation  
Complex liability  
Catastrophic injury  
Regulatory compliance  
Technical defenses with emphasis on scientific and other expert issues

### Education

J.D. Southern Methodist University School of Law, Dallas, Texas, 1978  
B.A. George Washington University, District of Columbia, 1975

### Bar & Court Admissions

Texas  
U.S. District Court Northern District of Texas  
U.S. District Court Southern District of Texas  
U.S. District Court Eastern District of Texas  
U.S. District Court Western District of Texas  
U.S. Court of Appeals 5th Circuit

### Honors and Awards

AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating,  
Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory  
Texas Super Lawyers, 2010-2012, published by Thompson Reuters  
Advocate, American Board of Trial Advocates  
Pro Bono College, State Bar of Texas  
Life Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation