



Branch Sheppard | Director

Branch was born and raised in Houston, Texas. He graduated with high honors from the University of St. Thomas and received his J.D. from South Texas College of Law. Branch has worked in the areas of first party and third party insurance defense, personal injury representing both plaintiffs and defendants, toxic tort defense, mass actions, business litigation, commercial litigation, and estate planning, while also representing debtors in a handful of Chapter 7 cases.

While Branch continues to work in other areas of the law, since 2005, he has focused his practice on creditors' rights. He represents lenders and other secured creditors in real estate foreclosures, bankruptcy matters, evictions, and mortgage litigation. Branch has handled matters for clients relating to the servicing of mortgage loans and other issues in the mortgage banking industry in United States Bankruptcy Courts, United States District Courts, and in Texas state courts.

Branch strives to give his clients, in the U.S. and abroad, his closest personal attention. He believes that the cornerstone to excellent representation is communication. He makes himself available to his clients whenever they call upon him and his legal expertise is needed.

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EDUCATION:

- South Texas College of Law, J.D.
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BAR ADMISSIONS:

- Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit
- U.S. District & Bankruptcy Courts for the Southern, Eastern, Northern, and Western Districts of Texas

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Houston Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys
- State Bar of Texas
- Houston Bar Association
- Houston Racquet Club

Publications:

Co-Author, "The New and Improved RESPA: What Is It? What Was Amended? Why Do We Need to Know About It?" presented at the Advanced Consumer Bankruptcy Course in Dallas, Texas, June, 2010.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Corporate Transactions
- Bankruptcy/Creditors' Rights
- Commercial Litigation
- Insurance Defense
- Estate Planning & Administration
- Banking & Real Property