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#### Select Areas of Litigation Practice

- Litigation
- Health Insurers and Managed Care Organizations
- Healthcare Fraud and Abuse
- Insurance Fraud
- Insurance Litigation
- Health and Life Sciences
- Financial Services
- Commercial Disputes
- Professional Liability

#### Education

- St. Mary's University School of Law  
San Antonio, Texas  
J.D., 1981, Articles Editor  
*St. Mary's Law Journal*
- The College of Wooster  
Wooster, Ohio  
B.A., 1976

## Laurence S. Kurth

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*Of Counsel*

*Board Certified in Civil Trial Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization*

Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, Larry Kurth has a broad-based commercial litigation practice with a focus on insurance disputes. Larry has significant experience in policy drafting, interpretation, fraud, malpractice, and coverage matters. His clients include both multinational corporations and top 50 insurance companies.

In addition to his insurance practice, Larry represents clients across a range of sectors, including transportation, healthcare, and government in commercial disputes, and products liability, personal injury, property damage, and contracts, among other business disputes. With a prolific practice in state and federal courts, Larry has appeared before virtually every sitting judge in Bexar County, from J.P. Courts to the Fourth Court of Appeals. Larry has conducted jury trials from Houston to Brownsville, San Antonio, Austin, and most of the counties in between.

Larry serves as Chairman of the University Health System Foundation and on the Board of the Consejo Educational Foundation, as well as the San Antonio Fiesta Commission. He has served as President of the Fiesta Commission and is also the former President of the American Indian Law Section of the State Bar of Texas.

#### Admission to Practice

- Texas, 1981
- Colorado, 1992
- Oklahoma, 2004
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, and Western Districts of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Eastern Districts of Oklahoma
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth and Tenth Circuits
- U.S. Supreme Court

#### Memberships & Affiliations

- State Bar of Texas
- State Bar College
- American Indian Law Section of the State Bar of Texas, Former President
- San Antonio Bar Association, Fellow
- Bexar County Bar Association
- Travis County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
  - Tort and Insurance Practice Section

## Memberships & Affiliations (*continued*)

- Colorado Bar Association
- Oklahoma Bar Association
- American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)
- National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
- Texas Association of Defense Counsel
- Defense Research Institute
- International Association of Arson Investigators
- A Texas Advisory Council on Arson
- University Health Systems Foundation, Board of Directors, Chairman
- Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity

## Representative Presentations

- Speaker, "Campus Police – The Use of Force Continuum/Conundrum," United Educators Forum on Legal Defense of Issues in Higher Education, 2015.
- Numerous authorship and speaking engagements for the State Bar of Texas Advance Civil Trial CLE Programs, as well as for legal seminars for insurance clients, including, "Bad Faith Doctrine in Texas."

## Honors & Awards

- Rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2016-2024 Listed in Texas for Commercial Litigation – Railroad Law
- *San Antonio Business Journal*, Nonprofit & Corporate Philanthropy Award Honoree, 2023
- Recognized as a *San Antonio Outstanding Lawyer*, by the *San Antonio Business Journal*, 2015
- *Super Lawyers* magazine, 2012-2020, Listed in Texas for Civil Litigation: Defense
- *Who's Who* in San Antonio Lawyers
- *Texas Monthly: Best Lawyers in Texas*
- Voted one of San Antonio's Best Lawyers as rated by peers, *S.A. Scene*, 2009-2012

## Representative Cases

- **Good Faith:** Represented a major insurance company in multiple duties-of-good-faith-and-fair-dealing matters, including the case establishing standard duties required for Texas insurance companies to act in good faith in claim denial situations.
- **Police Immunity:** Represented a private university in a precedent-setting case where the Supreme Court of Texas ruled that a private university police department is a "government unit" entitled to an interlocutory appeal from the denial of a plea to the jurisdiction. The Supreme Court remanded the case to the Fourth Court of Appeals for the ultimate analysis of whether the police department has immunity.
- **Venture Capital:** Represented an IT start-up company in a favorable jury verdict against investors claiming \$30 million.