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### *Related Services*

Commercial ■ Financial Services Litigation ■ Labor & Employment ■ Technology & Telecommunications Litigation ■ Litigation ■ Enforcement, Workouts & Foreclosures

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Financial services providers, manufacturers, real estate investors, and entrepreneurs look to Jared Slade for insight and pragmatic, straightforward counsel to pursue their desired outcomes. He has represented clients in consumer actions, disputes with vendors, and in litigation arising out of M&A transactions, data privacy and breach incidents, and other commercial disputes. Jared has defended False Claims Act matters and has played a lead role defending clients in a series of mass arbitrations representing significant exposure to the company's bottom line. Jared has tried and led a variety of commercial litigation matters including trade secret litigation and breach of contract and has obtained winning verdicts as first chair in court and in arbitration.

Jared serves as Alston & Bird's Dallas partner-in-charge, leads its local litigation team, and chairs its local pro bono committee. His pro bono work earned him the Award of Merit from the local Federal Bar Association chapter for his handling of pro bono appointments in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas and 2021 Pro Bono Coordinator of the Year from the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program.

### *Representative Experience*

#### **Financial Services**

- Won dismissal of claims and affirmation by the Fifth Circuit against the owner and servicer of a reverse mortgage in Texas.
- Representing a regional bank in a putative Texas state court class action related to overdraft fees.
- Represented the chairman and president of a bank in claims asserted against each individually in connection with a massive fraud perpetrated by a series of related car dealerships.
- Won an arbitration on breach of contract claims and fraud and fraudulent inducement counterclaims in a JAMS proceeding and confirmed arbitration award over a motion to vacate in Texas state court.
- Secured approval of a trustee's actions in accepting proposed RMBS settlements in actions in New York and Minnesota.
- Won summary judgment on a plaintiff's claims for breach of contract and fraudulent transfer related to contingent promissory notes.
- Won a grant of summary judgment on a plaintiff's claims for breach of contract, misrepresentation and fraud theories based on a commercial lease transaction in Texas state court.
- Represented the RMBS parties in various trust instruction proceedings.

- Secured payment in full of outstanding debt under a commercial mortgage after filing for summary judgment in a federal action to enforce the mortgage guaranty on behalf of a lender.
- Represented a lender in securing a receivership in Texas state court over a decommissioned oil refinery.

## ***False Claims Act***

- Represented a for-profit college in a declined qui tam action based on allegations that unqualified students were being matriculated to secure federal financial aid.
- Represented a medical device seller in a declined qui tam False Claims Act litigation alleging off-label marketing and other theories of liability, which was settled after successful Rule 12 motions resulted in anticipated elimination of all off-label marketing allegations for which the relator claimed billions of dollars of recoverable damages.
- Represented testing company in a declined qui tam False Claims Act litigation alleging off-label marketing and other theories of liability.

## ***General Commercial Litigation***

- Representing a telecommunications company, a health care services company, and a financial services company in class actions, multidistrict litigation, and consumer arbitrations related to data breach incidents suffered by each of the organizations.
- Serving as lead counsel for a fraud protection services company in a breach of contract lawsuit with a software vendor.
- Served as trial and appellate counsel for a major wireless telecommunications provider in federal court on an issue of first impression regarding 911 services liability. Obtained dismissal at the trial level and affirmance before the Fifth Circuit on the basis that the client was entitled to 911 service provider immunity.
- Won a jury verdict on all claims for a construction subcontractor in a Northern District of Texas action alleging minimum wage and overtime violations under the FLSA and breach of contract.
- Secured a TRO under the Texas Uniform Trade Secrets Act to prevent dissemination or use of an employer's trade secrets by a former employee who absconded with them.
- Defeated an application for a TRO in federal court for a company accused of misusing a competitor's trade secrets and employing an individual in violation of a non-compete covenant.
- Secured a preliminary injunction in the Delaware Court of Chancery preventing the distribution of sufficient proceeds from the sale of substantially all the assets of an oil and gas investor to make whole an equity interest holder who was denied equity distribution payments.
- Won a grant of summary judgment on a plaintiff's claims in a Texas state putative class action on behalf of an insurance company based on an alleged denial of uninsured/underinsured (UM/UIM) motorist coverage.
- Resolved in a tenant's favor a pre-litigation dispute between the tenant and post-foreclosure landlord concerning the tenant's audit rights and overpayments of costs and expenses to the pre-foreclosure landlord.
- Represented a distributor of fly ash in an action arising out of a failed oil well blamed on the fly ash.
- Represented an inmate telecommunications provider in a trio of federal lawsuits alleging patent infringement and tortious interference.
- Conducted pre-litigation research and analysis of possible claims for a variety of clients in the real estate, financial services, and manufacturing industries.

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## ***Publications & Presentations***

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- "State-Sponsored Cybercrime: From Exploitation to Disruption to Destruction," *The SciTech Lawyer*, Vol. 10, No. 2, Winter 2014.

### ***Presentations***

- "Current Litigation Trends for In-House Bank Counsel," 57th Annual William W. Gibson, Jr. Mortgage Lending Institute CLE, webinar, October 11, 2023.
- "Potential Remedies in Mortgage Lending Transactions," 54th Annual William W. Gibson, Jr. Mortgage Lending Institute CLE, webinar, September 17, 2020.
- Preservation in the time of Coronavirus, June 4, 2020.

## ***Professional & Community Engagement***

- City of Dallas, Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Dallas Regional Chamber, Leadership Dallas Class of 2021 & Alumni Council
- Harvard Club of Dallas, past chairman of the board and past president
- Dallas Bar Association, Pro Bono Activities Committee, former co-chair; Publications Committee, former co-chair
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, Leadership Class 2014; Judiciary Committee and Breakfast with Business Peers Committee, former co-chair

## ***Education***

- Duke University (J.D., 2007)
- Harvard University (A.B., 2003)

## ***Admitted to Practice***

- Texas
- Florida