

Practice Areas

- Commercial Litigation
- Appellate Law
- Energy Litigation
- Energy and Maritime
- Tax Controversy & Litigation

Education

- Texas State University, B.S. (1980)
- South Texas College of Law Houston, J.D. (1989)
- University of Texas - Global Energy, International Arbitration and Environmental Law, LL. M. (2017)

Honors

- 2021-2022 - US News Best Lawyers in America
- 2019-2021 - Named a "Top Lawyer" by Houstonia Magazine
- Texas Exes Life Member
- 5th Degree Black Belt - Kajukenbo
- 1st Degree Black Belt - Taekwondo
- 2017 - Texas State University Martial Arts Hall of Fame

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Justice David Medina serves as a shareholder in Chamberlain Hrdlicka's commercial litigation and appellate practices in both our Houston and San Antonio offices. Justice Medina also serves as Co-Chair of the Firm's Appellate Practice.

Justice Medina received his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from South Texas College of Law Houston in 1989 while working full time for Cooper Industries, Inc. and the Traveler's Insurance Company before that. He was a member of the ABA National Moot Court Team and earned academic recognition on the Dean's List.

After graduating from South Texas College of Law, David became the first Cooper attorney hired directly after law school. In his capacity as Counsel for Litigation, David was responsible for a docket that included environmental, product liability, toxic tort, real estate, insurance coverage and commercial litigation. Justice Medina also taught Advanced Civil Trial Advocacy as an Adjunct Professor at South Texas College of Law.

In 1996, Governor George W. Bush appointed David to the 157th State District Court. Justice Medina was elected that November and became the first Republican Hispanic Judge elected in Harris County. He was subsequently re-elected.

Justice Medina rejoined Cooper in 2000 as Associate General Counsel, Litigation. He was responsible for supervising all aspects of complex litigation and product-safety matters throughout the world. During his tenure, Cooper prevailed in every litigation taken to trial or appeal, including a case to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In January 2004, Justice Medina returned to public service when he was appointed by Governor Rick Perry to serve as General Counsel to the Governor. Justice Medina had the privilege of serving the Governor until November of that year, when he was appointed to the Texas Supreme Court. In November 2006, Justice Medina was elected to a full term and served Texas until December 31, 2012. He authored over 90 Supreme Court opinions. In addition to his Judicial duties, David served as deputy-liaison to the Texas Supreme Court Rules Advisory Committee and the

- 2012 - South Texas College of Law Alumni Association Outstanding Public Service Award
- 2012 - Elected President and Chairman Hispanic National Bar Association Judicial Council
- 2011 - U.S. Martial Arts Hall of Fame
- 2010-2012 - National Martial Arts Champion
- 2012 - Commencement Address – Thurgood Marshall School of Law
- 2011- Advisor UT Hispanic National Bar Association National Championship Moot Court Team
- 2011 - Mexican American Bar Association Community Service Award
- 2010 - National Judge of the Year- Hispanic National Bar Association
- Texas Judge of the Year – Mexican-American Bar Foundation of Texas
- 2008 - LexisNexis Person of the Year
- 2005 -Texas Supreme Court Justice of the Year (POLICE)

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Preservation of Historical Court Records.

Since returning to private practice in January 2013, Justice Medina has successfully represented clients throughout Texas in various trials and appeals. His clients have prevailed in Harris, Montgomery, Galveston, Ft. Bend, Bexar, Hidalgo, Caldwell, Maverick and Travis counties, and the Texas Supreme Court.

Seminars and Presentations

- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Laredo Tax Controversy, Tax, and Business Planning Seminar 2020
February 13, 2020
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka 2nd Annual San Antonio Tax and Business Planning Seminar Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk, November 6, 2019
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Laredo Tax and Business Planning Seminar 2019
La Posada Hotel, July 30, 2019
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka 1st Annual San Antonio Tax and Business Planning Seminar Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk, November 28, 2018

News

- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Attorneys named as Houstonia 2021-2022 Top Lawyers
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Launches Appellate Law Blog
- 54 Chamberlain Hrdlicka Attorneys Named to 2022 Best Lawyers in America®
- Thirty-Three Chamberlain Hrdlicka Attorneys Listed in Best Lawyers Texas Edition 2021
- Congress passes legislation modifying the Paycheck Protection Program
- Chamberlain Attorneys named to Houstonia Magazine's 2021 Top Lawyers
- "As COVID-19 Creates Curveballs, Firms Pivot Practices to Keep the Work Coming"
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka launches Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Audits and Investigations Practice
- Record 53 Chamberlain Hrdlicka Attorneys Named to US News – 2021 Best Lawyers in America®
- Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan Forgiveness Tax Issues
- Law360 Names Attorneys Who Moved Up the Firm Ranks in Q1
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Elevates Shareholders for 2020
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Attorneys named to Houstonia Magazine's 2019 Top Lawyers

- Commencement Address – South Texas College of Law and Texas Wesleyan Law School
- 2004 - Rising Star Award – Hispanic Bar Association of Texas
- 1978-1980 - Collegiate State Martial Arts Champion
- 2020 - Board of Directors, Hispanic Alliance for the Performing Arts dba Austin Sound Waves

Bar Admissions

- State Bar of Texas

Court Admissions

- United States District Courts for the Southern, Western and Eastern Districts of Texas
- Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals

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- Chamberlain Hrdlicka 2nd Annual San Antonio Tax and Business Planning Seminar - November 6, 2019 at Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk
- Justice David Medina - "People on the Move" article in the Houston Business Journal
- Law360 Names Attorneys Who Moved Up The Firm Ranks In 2019
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Elevates Four Shareholders
- Houstonia Magazine's 2018 Top Lawyers
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka to Host 1st Annual San Antonio Tax and Business Planning Seminar on November 28 at Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk
- Houston Attorney Hon. David M. Medina Honored by Texas Bar Foundation
- Immigrant father in Houston 'Out of Time' case given a reprieve
- Inmigración: Familia Rodríguez Mantiene la Esperanza
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Expands and Extends Lease at Weston Centre as part of Continued Growth of the Law Firm
- Out of Time
- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Announces Formation of New Litigation Team in San Antonio Office

Professional Affiliations

- Fellow of the State Bar of Texas
- Pro Bono College of the State Bar of Texas
- Texas Bar College
- Access to Justice - Defender
- American Bar Association
- Asian American Bar Association of Houston
- Hispanic National Bar Association
- Hispanic Bar Association of Houston
- Houston Bar Association
- Mexican American Bar Association of Texas and Houston
- Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit