

UNDERWOOD

For over 30 years, Mitzi Mayfield has worked hard to be responsive, proactive, and communicative with her clients when helping them navigate complex litigation problems.

MITZI MAYFIELD

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Mitzi Mayfield is Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, and a Fellow of the American College of Transportation Attorneys. Her practice encompasses transportation litigation, healthcare litigation, premises liability litigation, products liability litigation, and other general civil litigation.

Raised on dairy farm in North Texas, Mitzi Mayfield's father owns a trucking company which makes her work passionately for her transportation clients, particularly the drivers. She feels dedicated to representing local businesses and enthusiastically defending their best interests.

Mitzi also defends prominent health care providers in the Texas Panhandle in medical malpractice actions and involving Texas State Board matters.

EXPERIENCE

Plaintiffs' verdict in an arbitration involving breach of contract and breach of fiduciary duty.

Summary judgment for an oil services company in a wrongful death claim claiming attractive nuisance – upheld on appeal.

Defense verdict for an obstetrician in a wrongful death claim relating to the care and treatment of a mother and infant.

Defense verdict for a family practitioner in a wrongful death case involving the death of an elderly female.

CONTACT

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PRACTICE AREAS

Healthcare
Litigation

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Texas, 1991

Supreme Court of Texas; United States District Courts for the Northern Southern and Eastern Districts of Texas

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

EDUCATION

J.D., Texas Tech University School of Law, 1991

B.A., Texas Tech University, 1987



Defense verdict for a pediatric surgeon in a medical malpractice case involving the loss of a limb.

Defense verdicts in multiple premises liability cases.

Defense verdicts in multiple motor vehicle accident cases.

Participated in defense verdicts of a cardiovascular surgeon in three cases alleging wrongful death and negligence.

Obtained summary judgment for a fire protection equipment supplier against a personal injury claim related to an elevator accident.

Participated in nonsuit of anesthesiologist after one week of trial in a wrongful death action.

Participated in a defense verdict for a family practice physician.

Represented multiple trucking companies against personal injury and wrongful death claims related to tractor-trailer accidents.

Represented hospitals and medical staff in medical peer review matters.

Represented various agricultural cooperatives against claims involving personal injury, trucking accidents, and wrongful death.

Represented apartment complex owner and apartment management company against claims involving carbon monoxide poisoning.

Represented manufacturer of dairy equipment in a case involving products liability and contract disputes.

Obtained dismissal for an oilfield drilling company in a personal injury case involving an electrocution.

Obtained dismissal for independent contractor of lease operator of a drilling rig in a personal injury claim.

Obtained dismissal for a cardiologist and a medical professional association in a case involving a patient's claim for medical negligence.

Represented psychiatric care facility against wrongful death claims in medical malpractice cases.

Represented independent surgery center in a medical malpractice wrongful death claim related to a heart attack.

Represented beneficiaries in a probate action involving mismanagement and abuse of fiduciary responsibility by an executor.

Represented an oilfield drilling company against personal injury claims related to an oilfield explosion.

Represented one-call notification center against personal injury and wrongful death claims involving an oilfield explosion.

Represented recreational vehicle campground developer against breach of contract claims.

Represented dude ranch in a personal injury case involving a fall from a horse.

Represented physician in a negligence and products liability case involving an anesthesia breathing unit.

Participated in the defense of an oil and natural gas company involving wrongful death claims by the family of a volunteer firefighter.

Represented oil and natural gas exploration and production company in a case involving a breach of an operating agreement.

Represented a hospital in a medical malpractice claim related to the administration of an incorrect drug.

Represented an engineering firm in action involving the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District.

Represented manufacturer of cattle feed in a case involving the death of livestock.

AFFILIATIONS

American Board of Trial Advocates, Current Vice President of TEX-ABOTA, the Texas Chapters of The American Board of Trial Advocates

Texas State Bar Grievance Oversight Committee, 2022-present

Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Executive Committee, 2020-2022

Amarillo Area Bar Foundation, President, 2014-2015

Amarillo Area Bar Association, Director, Executive Committee, 2011-2013

Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation

Amarillo Area Women's Bar Association

Member, International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC)

Defense Research Institute

Amarillo Area Tennis Association Board

RECOGNITIONS

Best Lawyers® in America, Lawyer of the Year in Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, 2023

Best Lawyers® in America, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, 2022-2024

Texas Super Lawyers, by Thomas Reuters, 2009-2024

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

"Document Preservation and Litigation Holds", State Bar of Texas 36th Annual Advanced Evidence and Discovery, (2023)

"Strategies for Minimizing Damages", TEX-ABOTA 12th Annual Advanced Trial Strategies Course, (2023)

"Discovery Trends", State Bar of Texas, Advanced Civil Trials, (2022)

"Strategies for Minimizing Damages", TEX-ABOTA 11th Annual Advanced Trial Strategies Course, (2022)

"Cutting Edge Cases" Texas Association of Defense Counsel, Summer Seminar (2021)

"Top Ten Mistakes Made in Discovery Matters," State Bar of Texas, Fiduciary Litigation Seminar, via Zoom, (2020)

"Exhaustion, Restatement and Summarization, and Boxing In," Texas Association of Defense Counsel, 2020 Deposition Bootcamp, via Zoom, (2020)

"Prosecuting and Defending Truck Cases," Texas Association of Defense Counsel, 2020 Annual Meeting, Galveston, Texas, (2020)

"Discovery Update," State Bar of Texas, 33rd Annual Advanced Evidence and Discovery Course, webcast, (2020)

"Non-Economic Damages: Defense Perspective," State Bar of Texas, Prosecuting and Defending Truck and Auto Collision Cases, San Antonio, Texas, (2019)

OUTSIDE THE OFFICE

Mitzi Mayfield and her husband, Todd, have three children and three grandchildren. She enjoys tennis, traveling, and cooking. She is very active in her church and community.