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Christopher Chapaneri is a strategic, results-oriented litigator obtaining favorable settlements where appropriate and trying cases before a judge or jury when needed, including first and second chair jury trial experience in state and federal courts. Christopher has an uncanny ability to intuitively anticipate litigation methods pursued by all parties in a lawsuit, allowing him the ability to engage in “outside the box” strategies where appropriate. He takes zealous advocacy seriously to help clients feel more at ease during stressful litigation while remaining calm and respectful throughout litigation.

Christopher primarily focuses his practice on legal issues and liability involving amusement parks, water parks, adventure parks, carnivals, trampoline parks, and other entertainment venues nationwide. While Christopher’s primary practice is in amusement park liability, he is experienced and enjoys practicing in a wide array of cases involving commercial litigation, wrongful death/survivor actions, products liability, premises liability, construction defect, catastrophic injury, transportation matters, employment litigation, commercial landlord-tenant disputes, professional liability for engineers, amusement park law, and environmental law. Moreover, Christopher has handled a variety of appellate matters to the Texas Supreme Court and mandamus actions.

Outside the firm, Christopher enjoys spending time with his wife and two children. He also enjoys serving his community, whether that be as a sponsor and volunteer for a charity auction, or picking up highway trash with his local masonic lodge, the Eagle Scout in him wants to leave things a little better than when he found it. During law school, Christopher received the CALI Award for Academic Excellent at LSU’s Paul M. Hebert School of Law.

EXPERIENCE

- Landowner Not Required to Warn of Open and Obvious Danger That Was Necessarily Undertaken by Employee to Complete His Work

PRIMARY PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial and Business Litigation
Complex Tort and Casualty
Product Liability
Construction
Transportation
Employment
Property Management and Tenant Litigation
Professional Liability
Environmental
Legal Malpractice

EDUCATION

LSU Law (J.D., 2008)
LSU Law (BCL, 2008)
Louisiana State University (B.S., 2005)

LICENSED TO PRACTICE IN

Texas
Oklahoma
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

4.22.22

NEWS

- 20 WSHB Attorneys Elected Into Partnership
Firm News, 1.9.23

PUBLICATIONS

- Minor Children Compelled to Arbitrate Construction Defect Claims
Case Updates, 2.7.23
- In Negligence Suit for Failure to Test for THC, Texas Supreme Court Thwarts
Attempt to Discover Information on Unrelated Drivers' Drug Use
Case Updates, 7.12.22

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of
Texas

U.S. District Court, Western District of
Texas