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Jack DiSorbo is a litigation associate in the Houston office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. His practice centers on trials and appeals in high-stakes business litigation. Jack has represented clients on the plaintiff- and defendant-side in federal and state courts across the country and litigated fiduciary duty, securities, antitrust, oil and gas, trade secrets, bankruptcy, contracts, and other civil claims. He also maintains an active pro bono practice, focusing on religious liberty and litigation involving other constitutional rights.

Jack has particular experience with the newly-created Texas Business Court, and regularly appears before the court, including the second-ever Business Court trial in January of 2026. He also serves as a special advisor to the Business Court Subcommittee of the Texas Supreme Court Advisory Committee, and writes legal articles on Business Court procedure, which have been cited in Business Court opinions, the Texas Business Litigation Treatise (6th ed.), and other judicial and academic materials.

Recent Representative Matters:

- Served as second chair in Texas Business Court's second-ever trial. **Mesquite Energy, Inc. v. Sanchez Oil & Gas Corp.**, No. 24-BC11B-0018 (Tex. Bus. Ct. 11th Div.). Represented Plaintiff **Mesquite Energy** and secured eight-figure verdict (exact judgment confidential).
- Defeated preliminary injunction motion in bankruptcy court seeking nine-figure asset-freeze order. **In re Serta Simmons Bedding**, No. 23-9001 (Bankr. S.D. Tex.).
- Represented **Vale S.A.** as trial and appellate counsel to obtain unanimous dismissal of \$500 million conversion, unjust enrichment, and conspiracy claims for lack of personal jurisdiction. **Itabiríçu Nacional de Pesquisa Mineral Ltda. v. Vale S.A.**, No. 13-25-526-CV (Tex. App.—Corpus Christi 2026).
- Appointed as pro bono counsel to represent prisoner in federal excessive-force lawsuit. **Clay v. Obeng**, No. 7:22-cv-126 (N.D. Tex.). Served as second chair in jury trial.
- Served on jury trial team on behalf of **Johnson & Johnson** in mesothelioma case and leveraged favorable settlement during second week of evidence. **Newton v. Johnson & Johnson**, No. DC-19-09317 (Dallas County Dist. Ct.).
- Quashed emergency subpoena to **NVIDIA** in export-control prosecution seeking tens of thousands of documents containing highly sensitive information. **United States v. Yuan**, No. 4:25-cr-687 (S.D. Tex.).
- Advised **Pioneer Natural Resources** on Federal Trade Commission's antitrust investigation of acquisition by ExxonMobil, resulting in consent decree allowing deal to close. **In re ExxonMobil Corp.**, No. 241-0004 (FTC).



Capabilities

Litigation
Appellate and Constitutional Law
Class Actions
Energy Regulation and Litigation
Energy and Infrastructure
Oil and Gas
Securities Litigation
Trials

Credentials

Education

University of Houston - 2020 Juris Doctor
University of Texas - 2017 Bachelor of Science
University of Texas - 2017 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

Texas Bar

Clerkships

US Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit, Hon. Jennifer Walker Elrod, 2022 - 2023
USDC, Southern District of Texas, Hon. Charles R. Eskridge III, 2020 - 2021

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- Prosecuting one of the first mandamus actions from a Business Court in a case involving attorney-immunity of in-house counsel. *In re Jackson*, No. 25-15-235-CV (Tex. App.—15th Dist.).
- As pro bono counsel, obtained reversal of injunction against church pastor in religious-liberty case. *Pool v. Dad's Place of Bryan, Ohio*, No. {86}WM-24-020 (Ohio Ct. App.)

Before joining the firm, Jack was selected as a trial fellow in the special litigation division of the Texas Attorney General's Office, where he represented the State of Texas in top-priority civil trials. He also served as a law clerk to the Honorable Jennifer Walker Elrod of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and the Honorable Charles R. Eskridge III of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

Jack received his J.D., *summa cum laude*, from the University of Houston Law Center. While there, he was selected as Senior Articles Editor of the Houston Law Review. He attended college at the University of Texas at Austin, where he received undergraduate degrees in mechanical engineering and Plan II Honors, and a minor in American history.

Jack is a member of the Texas bar, and admitted to practice in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth and Federal Circuits, and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Texas. He also writes articles on civil procedure and legal history, and his recent works have been published by the Journal of Supreme Court History, and Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy.

Publications:

- *Learning from One of the First Business Court Trials*, Texas Lawbook (Mar. 2026) (with C. Cox)
- *The Texas Business Court: Year One*, 57 St. Mary's Law Journal 185 (2026)
- *Delaware vs. Texas: A Comparison of Corporate Governance and Business Courts*, 113 The Advocate 12 (Winter 2025) (with C. Babcock and J. Sepehri) (republished by the Texas State Bar Business Law Section)
- *The Judicial Compensation Clause*, in The Heritage Guide to the Constitution 453 (3d ed. 2025) (with Hon. Jennifer Walker Elrod and D. Mackenzie)
- *A Primer on the Texas Business Court*, 76 Baylor Law Review 360 (2024)
- *Appellate Court Mandates: An Introduction and Proposed Reform*, 22 Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy 155 (2024)
- *The Bronze Doors*, 48 Journal of Supreme Court History 332 (2023) (with Hon. Charles Eskridge)
- *On Executive Orders and the Royal Prerogative*, 26 Texas Review of Law & Politics 555 (2022)
- *The Limitations of State and Local Climate Policies*, 57 Houston Law Review 1169 (2020)