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Cody Johnson is a trial lawyer in Gibson Dunn's Dallas office whose practice focuses on representing both plaintiffs and defendants in high-stakes commercial disputes. Cody has extensive trial, hearing, and deposition experience and represents clients across a variety of subject areas, including oil and gas, antitrust, trade secrets, and law firm defense.

Representative Cases

- Trial counsel for **Energy Transfer LP** and **Dakota Access LLC** in a landmark trespass and defamation action against Greenpeace that culminated in a $667 million jury verdict—the largest in North Dakota history. *The American Lawyer* recognized the trial team in its "Litigator of the Week" honors in March 2025.
- Trial counsel for the **Lockton Companies** in a trade secret and restrictive covenant action against Alliant Insurance Services and six former Lockton producer members in the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri. The case resolved in a favorable confidential settlement during the first week of trial.
- Member of trial team that successfully defended **Amazon** in a lawsuit by a former supplier seeking more than $800 million in damages. After being retained on the eve of trial, the team uncovered plaintiff's fabrication of key damages evidence and moved for dispositive sanctions, resulting in dismissal of the entire case with prejudice following an evidentiary hearing. *The American Lawyer* recognized the team with "Litigator of the Week" runner-up honors.
- Trial counsel to a Fortune 100 midstream company in high-stakes litigation over the governance of a multi-million-dollar gas processing plant. Successfully briefed and secured a rare plaintiff's side summary judgment on liability, delivering a decisive advantage in the dispute.
- Member of trial team representing a leading insurance carrier in the widely publicized, month-long confirmation trial of the Boy Scouts of America bankruptcy plan—one of the most closely watched Chapter 11 proceedings in recent years.
- Represented a Fortune 100 company defending against claims of patent infringement, fraud, and breach of contract involving a cutting-edge medical device. Case reached favorable settlement soon after trial began.
- Represented a major law firm in legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty action filed in Dallas County District Court. Successfully defeated all claims on summary judgment.

From 2022 to 2023, Cody served as a law clerk to the Honorable Chief Judge Amos L. Mazzant III of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas.

Cody received his J.D. with high honors from the University of Texas School of Law,

Capabilities

Litigation
Antitrust and Competition
Class Actions
Intellectual Property
Law Firm Defense
Securities Litigation
Technology Litigation
Trials

Credentials

Education

University of Texas - 2021 Juris Doctor
Tarleton State University - 2017 Bachelor of Science

Admissions

Texas Bar

Clerkships

USDC, Eastern District of Texas, Hon. Amos L. Mazzant III, 2022 - 2023

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where he was named a Chancellor-at-Large in recognition of having one of the highest GPAs in his class after two years. While at Texas Law, Cody was Chief Articles Editor of the *Texas Journal of Oil, Gas, and Energy Law* and a Teaching Quizmaster in the legal writing program. Cody won first place in the national round of the Giles S. Rich Moot Court competition and was elected to the Order of Barristers.

Cody is a member of the State Bar of Texas and is admitted to practice law before the United States District Courts for the Northern District of Texas and the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

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