



Alex R. Telarik



Alex is a go-to litigator for high-stakes business and energy disputes. He advises clients across the economic spectrum, with a particular focus on Oklahoma's oil and gas industry. His clients range from Fortune 500 companies to small businesses and individuals.

Alex is known for his strategic, business-focused judgment. He knows litigation is a means, not an end, and is always looking for the clearest path to achieve his clients' goals. Sometimes a case can only be resolved via motion practice or trial, which Alex pursues with his skilled courtroom presence. Other times, Alex is able to identify when a business resolution can bring about a quicker and more definite outcome.

His energy litigation practice includes experience with a wide range of complex matters, including environmental issues such as pollution and remediation, royalty and title disputes, and the Oklahoma Surface Damages Act. His business litigation experience includes experience with shareholder and partnership disputes, theft of trade secrets and other confidential business information, cyber-related wire fraud, real estate litigation, and other complex business disputes.

Alex has also presented on energy law topics, including "Unearthing Oklahoma's Surface Damages Act: Navigating Challenges from New Technology." While in law school, he served as an Articles Editor on the *Wake Forest Journal of Business and Intellectual Property Law* and received a CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Business Litigation.

Active in the Tulsa community, Alex serves on the Tulsa Resource Board for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Oklahoma.

Representative Experience*

- Obtained dismissal for defendant operator against claims for cash balancing by underproduced working interest owners.
- Obtained dismissal of plaintiffs' appeal to Oklahoma Supreme Court for oil and gas operator where plaintiffs alleged oil and gas operator had polluted surface and maintained dangerous electrical system.
- Defeated electrical subcontractor's motion for a temporary injunction and secured partial summary judgment in favor of a military flight simulator contractor in a multimillion-dollar government contract dispute, leading to voluntary dismissal of all claims.
- Secured a favorable settlement for a start-up medical technology company in litigation brought by alleged competitor claiming misappropriation of trade secrets and seeking a temporary restraining order and injunction.

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PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation (State & Federal)
- Appellate Law
- Commercial Law
- Energy, Oil and Gas

EDUCATION

- J.D., Wake Forest University School of Law, Articles Editor, *Wake Forest Journal of Business and Intellectual Property Law*
- B.S.B.A. Accounting and Finance, The University of Tulsa, *cum laude*

ADMISSIONS

- Oklahoma
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Oklahoma

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Oklahoma Bar Association
- Tulsa County Bar Association
- Council Oak/Johnson-Sontag American Inn of Court
- Tulsa Association of Petroleum Landmen
- Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Oklahoma, Tulsa Resource Board Member

RECOGNITION HIGHLIGHTS

- *Oklahoma Super Lawyers, Rising Star*, 2021-2025 Business Litigation
- *Tulsa County Bar Association*, YLD Leadership Academy, 2023

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Representative Experience (cont'd)*

- Secured partial summary judgment for defendant former oil and gas working interest owner by obtaining ruling that leases in which plaintiff claimed an interest violated Rule Against Perpetuities.
- Obtained summary judgment on behalf of national restaurant chain on customer's claims of negligence and products liability. Retained ruling on appeal by securing affirmance from Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals and denial of certiorari by Oklahoma Supreme Court.
- Defeated foreign judgment creditor's attempt to obtain writ of mandamus from Oklahoma Supreme Court seeking to allow foreign judgment creditor to garnish over \$1 million from bank account of energy company.
- Secured favorable settlement for clients in action against real estate broker and title company where third-party cybercriminal fraudulently induced clients to wire money wrong account.
- Successfully negotiated a pre-litigation settlement for a client in a dispute with a stock brokerage firm arising from unauthorized third-party access to the client's investment accounts.
- Represented a bank in foreclosing on a multi-million-dollar portfolio of real estate properties owned by a homebuilder.
- Achieved favorable settlement for commercial real estate owner in action against tenants for unpaid rent and improvement expenses.
- Successfully quieted title to the mineral estate on behalf of a client, resolving competing claims and securing clear ownership rights.

*Includes matters handled with previous employers