

Kerry Hodges

Member



Overview

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Areas of Focus

- Legal Ethics
- Labor and Employment Litigation
- Real Estate Litigation

Education

J.D., Regent University School of Law (2007)

- *summa cum laude*
- Editor in Chief, Law Review
- Academic Merit Scholarship

B.A., English, Texas Tech University (2003)

- *magna cum laude*
- Student-Athlete Highest Merit Award
- President's List
- Dean's List

Biography

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Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Hodges served as a law clerk to the Honorable James A. Teilborg of the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona. Before embarking on his legal career, he played baseball collegiately at Texas Tech University and professionally for two seasons in the Houston Astros minor league system.

Admissions

Admitted to Practice

- Arizona (2007)

Court Admission

- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona (2008)

Representative Experience

- Representation of a national bank in more than 100 actions involving a variety of claims and counterclaims, including claims for deficiency, breach of contract, breach of the implied duty of good faith and fair dealing, fraud, and waste
- Representation of former directors and officers of several failed financial institutions concerning the FDIC's investigation, mediation, and litigation process
- Representation of several national financing companies in a variety of bankruptcy and state court proceedings, including stay-lift matters and replevin actions
- Representation of a multi-million dollar lottery winner in probate proceedings concerning assets valued in the millions

Media and Presentations

Articles

- Contributor, "Appellate Handbook 2.0," published by State Bar of Arizona (2020)
- Featured, "[The College Athletes of Jennings, Strouss & Salmon: Playing the Game of Law](#)," *Attorney At Law Magazine* (June 26, 2020)

Blogs

- Author, "[Guarantors, Unlike Borrowers, Can Waive Antideficiency Protections](#)," *Jennings Strouss Blog* (2015)

Presentations

- "Persuasive Legal Writing," American Bar Association Judicial Intern Opportunity Program (2016 - 2019)

Memberships

Jennings Strouss Recruiting Committee

- Summer Associate Program

Community Involvement

Jennings Strouss Foundation

- Member, Board of Directors

Girls on the Run Maricopa and Pinal County

- Volunteer

Goodyear Little League

- Member, Board of Directors (2019 – present)

Honors and Awards

- Listed, *Southwest Super Lawyers Rising Stars*[®] in the category of Business Litigation (2014 – 2017)