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Gregory S. Hudson focuses his practice on insurance coverage matters, and has experience in first and third party defense matters and bad faith claims for domestic and overseas carriers. He has also represented clients in complex product liability and toxic tort litigation involving both fact development and complex e-discovery management. Greg routinely consults with corporate and insurance clients regarding litigation matters, and represents those clients in both trial and appellate matters.

Greg earned his undergraduate degree, *cum laude*, from Trinity University and his law degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Texas School of Law. Greg has been married for 20 years, and has two children, Sarah (12) and Christian (9).

Experience

Obtained an appellate victory for the insurer in a coverage dispute stemming from a tragic and highly publicized accident at a sponsored amateur drag race, after which the injured families filed a lawsuit against the event's sponsor. The insurer had issued a 24-hour CGL policy to cover the event, but it excluded "bodily injuries" including death arising from a "motorized vehicle" accident. Reversing an unfavorable ruling by the district court on the parties' cross-motions for summary judgment, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit cited many of the arguments set forth in our brief and during oral argument, and remanded to the trial court with instructions to grant the motion for summary judgment and hold that the insurer has no duty to defend or indemnify.

Won summary judgment, and successfully defended appeal of same, for an insurer on a COVID-19 business interruption claim filed in Texas state court for which the client's potential exposure was approximately \$25 million.

Advise property insurance companies regarding policy forms and construction and provide coverage advice relating to catastrophe claims, COVID coverage under property policies, and obligations in responding to policyholder demands.

Routinely advise insurance carriers regarding obligations and options when presented with policy limits demands.

Successfully defended a client against claims of fraud and breach of fiduciary duty. *LMP Austin English Aire, LLC v. Lafayette English Apartments, LP* 654 S.W.3d 265 (Tex.App.—Austin 2022)

Secured summary judgment in a products liability action. *Nguyen v. ATD Tools*, 2023 WL 3984196 (S.D.Tex. 2023)

Secured summary judgment for a managing general agent against claims involving wrongful policy issuance and breach of contract. Case No. 2021-03754; *Heymi Trucking LLC, et al. v. Adriatic Insurance Company, et al.*; In the 127th Judicial District Court, Harris County, Texas

Secured affirmance of summary judgment in a FELA case. *Mendoza v. Union Pacific Railroad Company*, 2022 WL 1117698 (5th Cir. 2022)(unpublished opinion)

Convinced the court to uphold a trial verdict in a subrogation matter involving issues regarding the

Practice Areas

- Bad Faith
- Casualty & Specialty Lines Coverage
- Insurance Coverage
- Professional Liability Insurance Coverage

Industry Sectors

- Insurance

Education

- University of Texas—Austin, J.D., *cum laude*, 1994
- Trinity University, B.A., *cum laude*, 1991

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Court Admissions

- Texas Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Western District of Texas

Affiliations

- Houston Bar Association
- State Bar of Texas
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admissibility of expert testimony. *Zbranek Custom Homes, Ltd. v. Allbaugh*, 2015 WL 9436630 (Tex.App.—Austin 2015)

Obtained dismissal of a property damage claim arising from catastrophe issues. *Heller v. ACE European Group, . Ltd.*, 2014 WL 12599402 (S.D.Tex.2014)

Won summary judgment in favor of an insurer in a matter concerning prior damage existing at the location of an alleged storm loss. *Evanston Ins. Co. v. Kinsale Ins. Co.*, 2018 WL 4103031 (S.D.Tex. 2018)

Mandamus proceeding resulting in successful challenge to trial court order refusing to refer insurance claim to appraisal in re Certain Underwriters at Lloyds, 2011 WL 4837869 (Tex.App.--Waco, October 12, 2011)(No. 10-11-00263-CV).

Mandamus proceeding challenging trial court refusal to order case to arbitration for certain Underwriters at Lloyd's v. Ensco International, Inc. 2010 WL 3369847 (Tex.App.--Dallas, August 26, 2010)(No. 05-10-00535-CV).

Successful defense of favorable trial court verdict regarding coverage afforded under property policy in Corporate Pines Realty Corp. v. Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's, London, 355 Fed.Appx. 778, 2009 WL 3172192 (5th Cir. 2009).

Successful appeal of adverse trial court judgment regarding theft coverage afforded under a commercial property policy in Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's, London v. Law, 570 F.3d 574 (5th Cir. 2009).

Successful appeal of adverse trial court judgment regarding "drop down" coverage under an excess policy and federal MCS-90 endorsement in Wells v. Gulf Insurance Co., 484 F.3d 313 (5th Cir. 2007).