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FOR ALLISON, IT IS A GREAT PRIVILEGE TO ASSIST REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS IN DRIVING ECONOMIC GROWTH THROUGHOUT TEXAS, CREATING COMMUNITIES, BUSINESSES AND OPPORTUNITIES WHERE PEOPLE LIVE, WORK, PLAY AND THRIVE. SHE STRIVES TO AVOID OVER-LAWYERING, WHILE MAINTAINING FOCUS ON THE GOALS OF THE TRANSACTION AND ESTABLISHING LONG-TERM, MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIPS.

Allison assists developers, investors, buyers, sellers, landlords and tenants in all aspects of real estate transactions. She has expertise in office, retail, and industrial leasing and development finance. Allison brings value to her clients by leveraging 25 years of practice experience with a practical and efficient approach aimed at keeping legal costs down and providing the best result.

Allison's background also includes in-house experience as Vice President and General Counsel for Hexter-Fair Title Company (acquired in 2011 by First American title Insurance Co.) and as Senior Counsel for Windstream Corporation, formerly a Fortune 500 company that is now privately held.

Practices

Real Estate Law

Noteworthy

- Named one of the "Best Lawyers in Dallas" by *D Magazine*, 2018, 2024
- Cecilia A. Martin Volunteer of the Year Award, St. Monica Catholic School, 2020
- PTO Volunteer Appreciation Parish Award, St. Monica Catholic School, 2015
- Spirit of Blackland Prairie Volunteerism Award, Circle 10 Council, Boys Scouts of America, 2014

- Selected by attorney peers as a Texas Rising Star®, *Thomson Reuters*, 2006
- Dallas Big Sister of the Year, Big Brothers Big Sisters, 2002 and 2004

Representative Experience

- Represented San Antonio-based developer in a 50 acre sale for a 160,000-square-foot mixed-use development near Austin.

Activities & Memberships

- Dallas Bar Association
 - Member
- State Bar of Texas
 - Member
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD)
 - Fellow, 2018
- Interfaith Board of Jewish Family Service
 - Board of Directors, 2018-2022
- Dallas Dinner Table
 - Facilitator, 2015 – 2018
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
 - Big Sister, 1999-present
 - Lone Star Mentor 2.0 (North Dallas High School)

Publications

- "Cities Fight to Keep 'ETJ': A Look at the Litigation Over Senate Bill 2038," *Texas Lawyer*, author; March 8, 2024.

Credentials

Education

- JD, University of Arkansas School of Law, *magna cum laude*, 1998
- BA, University of Arkansas, 1993

Admissions

- Texas
- Arkansas