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Charles is Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and achieved this certification by trying condemnation cases. He has tried dozens of condemnation jury trials and handled several hundred administrative hearings before special commissioners. He has represented property owners across Texas in significant condemnations against the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) and various other state and local governmental agencies.

Charles holds the CRE designation of the Counselors of Real Estate, an international consortium of credentialed real estate problem solvers who provide expert advice on complex real property and land-related matters. He is the past president and a current board member of the Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists, established

in 1986 to promote the availability, accessibility and quality of the services of civil trial and appellate lawyers to the public. He is a lifetime fellow of both the Texas Bar Foundation and the Houston Bar Foundation, dedicated to providing legal representation to the indigent, promote community understanding of our legal system and foster the administration of justice.

Charles is a Keeton Fellow to the University of Texas School of Law and the past chair of the Damages Subcommittee of the Condemnation, Zoning and Land Use Litigation Committee of the Section of Litigation for the American Bar Association. In addition, Charles serves as the Texas representative to the Owners' Counsel of America, a network of the nation's leading eminent domain and property rights attorneys. Candidates for membership in Owners' Counsel are thoroughly vetted based upon their ability, experience, results and dedication to representing private property owners in eminent domain. Membership is by invitation-only and restricted to one attorney from each state across the country.

Selected by his peers for inclusion in the publications *Best Lawyers in America* and by *Texas Super Lawyers* for his expertise in the areas of Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law, Charles additionally holds the rating AV Preeminent®, Martindale-Hubbell's highest possible rating for ethical standards and legal ability.

Charles is a frequent speaker and panelist on the topics of condemnation and eminent domain law and has been a contributing author to the American Bar Association, the American Law Institute, and other publications.







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