

We are proud to announce that Estes Thorne & Carr partners Dawn Estes, Jessica Thorne, Lori Carr, and Carol Payne, have been selected by their peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America© 2018 edition.



Dawn Estes
Commercial Litigation

Dawn Estes' practice focuses on trial work, representing a variety of large and mid-sized corporate clients in claims involving a wide range of litigation topics. Her proven ability to manage and resolve sophisticated disputes lands her on many prestigious lists. Admired by her clients and peers for her courtroom prowess, one client recently remarked, "I think Dawn Estes is a tremendous trial lawyer."

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Jessica Thorne
Family Law

Jessica Thorne has extensive experience in handling family law cases, including divorce, child custody, asset division, property and business valuation, paternity, financial support and many other issues that arise in a family law context. Jessica's ability to bring a sympathetic yet straightforward approach prompted a client to comment, "I felt so comforted to have Jessica as my attorney."

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Lori Carr
Labor Law



With over 25 years of experience, Lori Carr is Board Certified in Labor & Employment Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, represents employers in all matters arising out of the employment relationship, including litigation defense, investigations, risk management, training, consultation, and representation during government audits. "I really appreciate Lori's thoroughness and attention to detail", says one of Lori's long-time clients.

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Carol Payne
Commercial Litigation

Carol Payne's two decades of commercial litigation experience include representing an array of clients in legal malpractice and professional liability matters and disqualification disputes. She also handles a wide variety of business-related disputes, including real estate matters, lender claims, construction litigation, and energy-related matters. As one client said, "Carol's my first call", thus reinforcing her dedication to treating clients' issues as if they were her own.

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