



## Jordan Corbitt

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Mr. Corbitt has also represented clients in state and federal court in lawsuits involving negligence, breach of contract, DTPA claims, Texas Insurance Code claims, property disputes, fraud and eminent domain.

### Representative Matters

- Reviewed emergency purchase orders, requests for proposals, contracts, procurement policies and written standards of conduct for compliance with FEMA procurement regulations.
- Provided local government entity with around-the-clock procurement-compliance advice for various solicitations, contracts, and purchase orders, consisting of both competitive and non-competitive procurements.
- Prepared procurement-compliance checklists and memoranda for various government entities to facilitate compliance with FEMA procurement regulations in advance of a disaster that requires work eligible for Federal Public Assistance funding.
- Formulated and presented compliance presentation for large state-owned electrical power authority, focusing on non-competitive procurements and detailed solicitations.
- Reviewed and analyzed national contractor construction agreements in order to ensure compliance with Texas law for eligible work performed under FEMA.
- Briefed Second Appeal regarding de-obligation of more than \$2 million based on reasonableness of equipment cost for large metropolitan government entity.
- Briefed responsive documents to Award of Special Commissioner in eminent domain proceeding involving the acquisition of land for large pipeline client.
- Briefed successful Application for Writ of Possession for client in high-profile condemnation suit, securing for client possession and access to property.
- Assisted in drafting successful traditional motion for summary judgment for client in complex condemnation proceeding, securing for the client a judgment in its favor on the right to take.
- Negotiated numerous settlements, ranging in value of approximately \$40,000 to \$120,000, for breach of contract and Texas Insurance Code claims against client.
- Briefed successful Default Judgment motion in favor of client, securing approximately \$120,000 judgment for client.
- Briefed successful traditional and no-evidence motion for summary judgment in favor of client against claims of negligence, breach of contract and unfair insurance claims. Both motions were granted and the case was disposed of in its entirety.
- Briefed successful Request for Reconsideration for client who had been denied Medicare privileges by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, securing full reinstatement of client's Medicare privileges.

- Briefed successful Motion to Strike Motion to Show Authority filed by opposing counsel alleging client did not have authority to appoint representation on its own behalf.
- Briefed multiple position statements for labor and employment clients, defending clients against claims of unfair employment practices and breaches of federal and state employment laws.
- Negotiated settlement for client regarding ownership and possession of federally-subsidized housing unit in Plano, Texas, resulting in payout agreement and writ of possession.
- Drafted adopted consent resolutions for a Texas limited liability company, allowing the company to effectively comply with Texas rules and regulations, shielding company and its members from liability.
- Drafted comprehensive lease agreement for commercial client, securing favorable terms for client and shielding client from liability.
- Provided briefing to pro bono landowner clients regarding federal condemnation law, enabling landowners to effectively contest federal government condemnation claims for the building of a border fence across the United States – Mexico border.



## Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* for Administrative/Regulatory Law and Government Relations Practice (2021 – 2025); Municipal Law (2023 – 2025)
- CHIME Member – Central Houston Partnership



## Publications

- "2024 Hurricane Season: Top Ten Tips," republished in *Texas Lawyer* (July 2024)
- "Direct Result of a Disaster" (December 2021)
- "Anatomy of a FEMA Appeal" (December 2021)



## Speaking Engagements

- Co-presenter – "Preparing for Hurricane Season: Updates to FEMA's Program and Procurement Rules," Florida Electric Cooperatives Association (June 2021)
- Co-presenter – "Obtaining and Keeping Your FEMA Reimbursement: Procurement and Documentation Requirements," Florida Municipal Electric Association (May 2020)
- Co-presenter – "The Disaster Recovery Reform Act: A Texas-Sized Bill," HGACBuy 2019 Inaugural Conference and Expo (October 2019)
- Co-presenter – "Finding FEMA 'Friendly' Funding," HGACBuy 2019 Inaugural Conference and Expo (October 2019)
- "Disaster Obligations of Healthcare Providers and Available Assistance for Recovering Afterwards," Houston Bar Association Health Law Section (September 2018)
- Panelist – "Emergency Preparedness & Hurricane Response in Senior Living," Seven Acres Jewish Senior Care Services (June 2018)
- Panelist – "Resiliency, Disaster Planning and Response," American Bar Association, Section of State and Local Government Law, 2018 Spring Conference (April 2018)
- "Executive Borders," Memorial Exchange Club (April 2017)



## Webinars

- Key Considerations for FEMA's COVID-19 Emergency Protective Measures (February 2022)
- Preparing for Hurricane Season: Updates to FEMA's Program and Procurement Rules (June 2021)



## Education

- South Texas College of Law, J.D., 2016, summa cum laude
  - *South Texas Law Review*

- Texas A&M University, B.B.A. in Management, 2012



## Admissions

- Texas, 2016
- U.S. District Court for the Southern and Western Districts of Texas