

### Steve Selby

Steve practices appellate law—he researches and writes legal arguments in cases before trial courts, state agencies, and civil appellate courts. If you have a legal question and need a quick answer, Steve is your man.

Before joining the firm, Steve was the law clerk for Judge James Denton of the Texas Supreme Court.

### Representative Matters

Successfully represented plaintiff in appeal of landmark fraud case.

Successfully represented gas producers in appeal of landmark Railroad Commission case involving meaning of "oil" and "gas."

Successfully represented large corporation in appeal of landmark "contort" case.

Represented various oil and gas companies in appeal of take-or-pay litigation.

Successfully represented owners of women's healthcare hospital in appeal of case involving implied contracts.

Successfully represented trustee for State of Texas in landmark case on rights of surface owner on mineral classified lands.

Represented city in appeal of dispute at Railroad Commission involving authority of Railroad Commission to conduct prudence reviews of gas purchases.

### Bar Admissions & Activities

Admitted to the State Bar of Texas, and the U.S. Court of



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#### RELATED PRACTICE AREAS:

- Appellate
- General Land Office
- Government, Regulatory and Legislative
- Oil & Gas Litigation
- Oil & Gas Regulatory
- Railroad Commission Regulatory



Appeals, Fifth Circuit

Member, Civil Appellate Section, State Bar of Texas

Member, Civil Appellate Section, Austin Bar Association

## **Education**

University of Texas, BA with High Honors, 1973

University of Texas School of Law, 1977, with Honors, Order of the Coif, Member, Texas Law Review

## **Selected Reported Cases**

*Center Point Energy Entex v. Railroad Com'n of Texas*, 208 S.W.3d 608 (Tex. App.—Austin 2006, pet. dismiss'd)

*Universal Health Services, Inc. v. Renaissance Women's Group, P.A.*, 121 S.W.3d 742 (Tex. 2003)

*Westcott Communications, Inc. v. Strayhorn*, 104 S.W.3d 141 (Tex. App.—Austin, pet. denied)

*"Y" Propane Services, Inc. v. Garcia*, 61 S.W.3d 559 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 2001, no pet.)

*TransAmerican Natural Gas Corp. v. Finkelstein*, 933 S.W.2d 591 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 1996, writ denied)

*Lenape Resources Corp. v. Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co.*, 925 S.W.2d 565 (Tex. 1996)

*TransAmerican Natural Gas Corp. v. Finkelstein*, 911 S.W.2d 153 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 1995, no writ)

*Exploracion De La Estrella Solitaria Incorporated v. Birdwell*, 858 S.W.2d 549 (Tex. App.—Eastland 1993, no writ)

*Schwartz v. Prairie Producing Co., Inc.*, 833 S.W.2d 629 (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] 1992, writ dismiss'd)



*Melissinos v. Phamanivong*, 823 S.W.2d 339 (Tex. App.—Texarkana 1991, writ denied)

*Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. v. FDP Corp.*, 811 S.W.2d 572 (Tex. 1991)

*Amarillo Oil Co. v. Energy-Agri Products, Inc.*, 794 S.W.2d 20 (Tex. 1990)

*Day & Co., Inc. v. Texland Petroleum, Inc.*, 786 S.W.2d 667 (Tex. 1990)

*Scott v. Exxon Corp.*, 763 S.W.2d 764 (Tex. 1988)

*Fitzgerald Marine Sales v. LeUnes*, 659 S.W.2d 917 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth 1983, writ dismiss'd)

*Trenholm v. Ratcliff*, 646 S.W.2d 297 (Tex. 1983)