



## Shelley J. Hickey

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### At a Glance

#### Unique Background in Law

Shelley worked as an assistant city attorney in Seattle before transitioning to business law as a transactional and litigation lawyer.

#### Wide Industry Experience

Shelley represents clients in various industries, including real estate, technology, retail, hospitality, and financial services.

#### Corporate Law Know-How

In addition to M&A, Shelley's corporate law experience includes private equity transactions, corporate finance, and corporate governance.

**Shelley J. Hickey is a partner practicing in the firm's corporate law group. She represents clients in a variety of industries including real estate, retail, and financial services. For corporate clients, Shelley focuses her practice on corporate law, and finance matters including mergers and acquisitions, private equity transactions, corporate finance, and general corporate governance. Shelley advises clients on both the buy-side and sell-side with respect to equity and asset purchases and sales, strategic entity formations, business transactions, and other corporate matters.**

For real estate clients, Shelley advises on acquisitions, dispositions, leasing, finance, securitization, and development of real estate and private equity transactions.

Shelley's legal background began in the Pacific Northwest where she worked as an associate in private practice after law school before taking a position as assistant city attorney, assigned to the Seattle Police Department's Narcotics Unit and the Seattle Office of Civil Rights. She spent 10 years working as a Seattle ACA in various roles before moving to Texas where she joined SimpsonLaw and transitioned her law practice to focus on business law, both transactional and litigation, representing clients in real estate, corporate law, and commercial litigation.

Shelley is a member of the State Bar of Texas, the Washington State Bar, Dallas Bar Association, Collin County Bar Association, and the Texas Bar Foundation. She is a past member of the Richardson Rotary Club and served as president from 2011-2012. She is also a graduate of Leadership Richardson. Shelley earned her J.D. from the University of Tulsa College of Law.

## **Experience**

- Representation of individual and corporate clients related to all types of real estate development, and the sale and acquisition of real property, as well as oil and gas interests, including title curative work, analysis of land use issues, conducting due diligence, preparation of restrictions necessary to development as well as the implementation of non-profit enforcement, financing, leasing, and regulatory compliance related to municipalities and state agencies on all development requirements
- Representation of clients in corporate matters ranging from choice of corporate entity to operate their business to litigating disputes to winding up the corporate entity, including preparation of corporate formation documents, negotiation and drafting of contracts, and other agreements associated with the operation or sale of the business or its assets, and advising on corporate governance and operation issues

## **Focus Areas**

Mergers & Acquisitions

Securities

Real Estate

Private Equity

## **Education**

University of Tulsa College of Law, JD, 1987

University of Oklahoma, BBA, 1984  
Accounting

## **Associations & Memberships**

- Dallas Bar Association
- Collin County Bar Association
- Texas Bar Foundation
- Richardson Rotary Club, former President 2011-2012
- Leadership Richardson, Graduate

## **Bar Admissions**

Texas, 2003

Washington

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas