Mr. Nolland has been a mediator and arbitrator since 1993. He has conducted over 2,700 mediations and numerous arbitrations, primarily in complex business and commercial matters and fiduciary litigation. Nolland's mediation and arbitration practice focuses on large, complex, multifaceted disputes. His mediation and arbitration practice is national in scope.

In addition to his Mediation practice, over the past 20 years Christopher Nolland has established a national practice as Settlement/Negotiation Counsel, acting as the primary negotiator for one party *in a non-neutral role*. Nolland has been engaged as Settlement Counsel in dozens of matters, primarily involving complex high stakes business and significant fiduciary disputes, including major trust and probate litigation, director and officer litigation, professional liability, and partnership and closely held business litigation, as well as significant insolvency and litigation trustee matters. His Settlement Counsel practice has been the subject of numerous articles in leading legal and business publications.

Mr. Nolland is an Adjunct Professor of Law at SMU Law School and for the past twenty-five years has taught a full semester course on Negotiation to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year law students and LLM candidates.

After law school, Mr. Nolland served as an appellate law clerk and thereafter practiced law in New York City with a major national firm and in New York City and Dallas, Texas as a partner with a well-known national business litigation firm. Mr. Nolland is admitted to practice in Texas and New York and numerous United States Courts of Appeal and United States District Courts, as well as the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Nolland is a member of the American College of Civil Trial Mediators, the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, the Association of Attorney Mediators, and the ADR and Litigation sections of National, State and Local Bar Associations.

Chris Nolland was named by *Chambers* as a leading nationwide Mediator in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (Nationwide Band 2), noting in its 2020 profile that "*Christopher Nolland brings a 'very innovative'* approach to mediation...". Mr. Nolland was named by *D Magazine* as one of the Best Lawyers in Dallas in 2003, 2005, 2007, 2008, and 2010 – 2021 (all years the list has been published). Texas Monthly/Thompson Reuters selected him as a Texas Super Lawyer based upon the votes of his peers in all years published from 2003 – 2021 and in 2020 as one of the top 100 Lawyers in Texas. Mr. Nolland has also been selected by *The Best Lawyers in America* by BL Rankings LLC (2008 – 2021) and is ranked as a Best Lawyer by *U.S. News and World Report* in 2013- 2021, most recently a Tier 1 Mediator. Mr. Nolland is one of 5 Texas mediator finalists statewide for the 2012 *Go-To Lawyers Guide* published by *Texas Lawyer* every five years. In 2016 he was selected by Texas Lawyer for its Lifetime Achievement Award.

In 2016, Mr. Nolland was named as a National ADR Champion by *The National Law Journal* and was the recipient of the Steve Brutsché Award from the national Association of Attorney Mediators (its highest honor). In 2018, he received the Justice Frank Evans Award from the ADR Section of the State Bar of Texas for excellence in the field of Alternate Dispute Resolution. In 2019 *Texas Lawyer* named Mr. Nolland a Texas Trailblazer for his creation of a new legal practice area - acting as Settlement Counsel to clients in major litigation.

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# **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- Adjunct Professor of Law at Southern Methodist University Law School, teaching a course on Legal Negotiation and Settlement, 1997 present
- Extensive experience as a neutral mediator (over 2,700 cases) and arbitrator
- Intense experience in all phases of litigation in federal and state courts and before arbitration, administrative, and regulatory tribunals involving a wide range of complex business, commercial, franchise, securities, intellectual property, and bankruptcy matters
- Briefed and argued hundreds of substantive and procedural motions and appellate matters in federal and state courts, including arguments before federal circuit courts of appeal and the judicial panel on multi district litigation
- Active practice as Negotiation/Settlement Counsel to law firms and clients in complex litigation for over 20 years

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2003 – 2021: D Magazine/Best Lawyers in Dallas (selected all years the list has been published)

2003 – 2021: *Texas Monthly/Thompson Reuters* Texas Super Lawyer (selected all years the list has been published, including as one of the Top 100 lawyers in Texas in 2020)

2008 – 2021: The Best Lawyers in America

2013 – 2021: U.S. News & World Report first-tier mediator

2016 National Law Journal ADR Champion

2016 Association of Attorney Mediators Steve Brutsché Award – its highest honor

2016 Texas Lawyer Lifetime Achievement Award

2017 – 2021 Chambers USA - selected most recently as a leading Nationwide (Band 2) Mediator

2018 State Bar of Texas ADR Section Justice Frank Evans Award - awarded annually for excellence and contributions in alternative dispute resolution

2019 Named by Texas Lawyer as a Texas Trailblazer for Settlement Counsel practice

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Texas and New York State (all courts); United States Supreme Court; United States Courts of Appeal for the Second, Fourth, and Fifth Circuits; various United States District Courts in New York and Texas.

#### PRIOR LEGAL EXPERIENCE AND AFFILIATIONS

Partner/Counsel Bickel & Brewer 1717 Main Street Dallas, Texas 75201 Partner/Counsel Kraver & Parker 885 Third Avenue New York, New York 10022 Associate - Litigation Kelley Drye & Warren 101 Park Avenue New York, New York 10178 Confidential Law Assistant Supreme Court Appellate Division Third Department Albany, New York

#### **EDUCATION**

Union University Juris Doctor, cum laude, 1977

Albany Law School Class Rank: 4th of 212

Law Review

State University of B.A., cum laude, 1974 New York (Oswego) Major: Political Science

# **ACTIVITIES AND HONORS - LAW SCHOOL**

Law Review, Associate Editor
Justinian Honor Society
Member of the Tax Moot Court Team
Advisor to the Tax Moot Court Team
Cameron-Danaher Award (Civil Procedure and Evidence)
Jacob L. Rubenstein Prize (Procedure)

# PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association of Attorney Mediators
Association for Conflict Resolution
American College of Civil Trial Mediators
National/Texas Academy of Distinguished Neutrals
American, Texas, New York State and Dallas Bar Associations (member of ADR, litigation, and other sections of the foregoing bar associations)

#### OTHER TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor of Law, SMU Law School - Legal Negotiation and Settlement, 1997- present Co-Coach, SMU Law School National Negotiation Team, 1994-2004
Texas State Bar Advanced Negotiation Seminar 1994, teaching coach

AAA Advanced Arbitration Training

**AAA Securities Arbitration Training** 

Mediation Training: American Academy of Attorney Mediators

Frequent presenter at negotiation and mediation courses and CLE programs