

# Fee, Smith & Sharp LLP

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## Daniel M. Karp

EQUITY PARTNER



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Representing plaintiffs and defendants in high-profile and high-exposure matters with the ability to take on the most serious cases at any stage of litigation, Daniel is a responsive, well-respected, 'no-nonsense' trial lawyer.

## Practice Areas & Education

### PRACTICE AREAS

- Construction Liability & Defects
- Premises Liability/Retail Litigation
- Products Liability
- Transportation & Trucking Litigation
- Catastrophic Injury
- Healthcare & Pharmaceutical Liability

### EDUCATION

- Washington University in St. Louis, B.A., 1996
- Texas Tech University School of Law, J.D., 1999

### BAR ADMISSIONS

## About Daniel

### EXPERIENCE

Litigating complex disputes across Texas and the United States for more than two decades, Daniel Karp is a key leader in its Commercial Litigation Practice Group. Whether he is providing pivotal settlement advice to one of the largest truckload carriers in the United States, negotiating large complex real estate deals, or holding homebuilders accountable for shoddy work, Daniel's career demonstrates the experience and skill necessary to handle the most catastrophic and high-stakes claims. Through maintaining a deep understanding of his client's core business as well as their risk tolerance, Daniel provides insightful legal advice that aligns with his client's bottom line and corporate values as well as aggressive litigation strategy when warranted.

With experience representing both plaintiffs and defendants, clients rely on Daniel to evaluate multifaceted claims with a high degree of accuracy and provide perspectives from both sides of the dispute and straight talk when necessary. He represents some of the world's leading transportation companies, including truck hauling and logistics, car rental, rideshare, and fuel transport as well as a large multi-state food delivery company. A significant portion of Daniel's practice is dedicated to high-stakes catastrophic injury matters, spanning a wide variety of industry verticals and clients. He also

- Texas

## COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- U.S. Fifth Court of Appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- State Bar of Texas
- Dallas Bar Association
- USLAW
- Defense Research Initiative
- American Trucking Association, Member
- TIDA – Trucking Industry Defense Association

manages a robust commercial real estate practice, assisting clients with commercial leases, purchase, and sale agreements.

Known for his deft touch and sizable personal connections, colleagues know Daniel as the person to call when negotiations are stalled or when litigation is at an impasse. Daniel is an elected Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, a distinction reserved for 1/3 of 1% of all Texas attorneys, one of the highest honors that can be bestowed upon a member of the State Bar of Texas. He is recognized nationally as a top 100 High Stakes Litigator, requiring experience handling and defending “bet the company” litigation exceeding \$2,000,000.00, an honor given to less than .5% of attorneys nationwide.

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Behm v. Cover-All. Lead counsel for manufacturer and designer of Dallas Cowboys practice facility.
- Carey v. Valero & Certified Safety. Counsel for safety company defending injury claims arising from refinery accident.
- Kennedy, et al. v. Perrigo. Regional Counsel for Perrigo Co. in the defense of Nationwide Pharmaceutical claims for alleged PPA defective drugs.
- Travelers Insurance v. DART, et al. Represented Travelers in subrogation claim for \$12 million worth of fire damage to Republic Towers in downtown Dallas.
- AFEX Fire Suppression Systems. Represented fire suppression company in defense of alleged defective installation and design of heavy equipment fire systems.

## TRIAL VICTORIES

- Fuller v. Werner – 2018 Federal Court, Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. Represented Werner Enterprises, Inc. and obtained a full defense verdict in an 18-wheeler trucking claim wherein Plaintiff alleged serious injuries and asked jury in closing arguments for more than \$1.9 Million Dollars in Damages.
- Eagle Construction Co. v. Roberson, Northern Federal District. Represented trucking company in the defense of a breach of contract claim for HAZMAT damages.
- Burton v. JC Penney. Represented JC Penney in the successful defense of claims made by the Plaintiff surrounding an alleged assault, battery and false imprisonment.
- Donald Reed, et al. v. Marshall Manor Nursing Home. Obtained a defense verdict for the nursing home against Plaintiffs’ claims for negligent medical and nursing care.

## HONORS

- Selected to Texas “Super Lawyers” 2017-Present
- America’s Top 100 High Stakes Litigators
- Martindale AV Rated 2015-Present

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