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ALAN CARRILLO IS AN ADVOCATE. His clients rely on his diligence, responsiveness, creative strategies, and knowledge of federal, local, and judge-specific rules to win-through positive settlement or trial. Mr. Carrillo's Dallas-based practice is focused on commercial and bankruptcy litigation.

Leveraging several years of experience at two international law firms and a year as an inaugural law clerk to U.S. District Judge Brantley Starr—all in Dallas—Mr. Carrillo zealously litigates his clients' causes. Mr. Carrillo advises and advocates for commercial clients in state and federal courts, including bankruptcy adversary proceedings, throughout Texas.

Mr. Carrillo is also driven by a desire to serve. He prioritizes making connections to better the positions of those he serves, whether friend, client, or community. Mr. Carrillo regularly serves as a pro bono advocate and community volunteer. He has been President of the Dallas chapter of the Federal Bar Association since 2023.



PRACTICE FOCUS & EXPERIENCE

- >> Federal Court Litigation
- » Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights
- >> Other Commercial Litigation
- » Receiverships

Mr. Carrillo began his legal career at the Dallas office of international law firm Foley & Lardner LLP—formerly Dallas-based Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP—where he practiced bankruptcy law and litigation, including general commercial litigation, receiverships, and antitrust and securities investigations.

In fall 2019, Mr. Carrillo had the opportunity to help the Honorable Brantley Starr, U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas, open his judicial chambers as a member of Judge Starr's first class of term law clerks. Mr. Carrillo and his fellow clerks helped resolve over 220 inherited ripe motions in Judge Starr's first six months in office, develop his courtroom procedures, and conduct the first federal civil trial in the Northern District of Texas during the COVID-19 pandemic in August 2020.

After his clerkship concluded in 2020, Mr. Carrillo joined the founding office and financial restructuring group of international law and lobbying firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP in Dallas, where he represented debtors, creditors, and official committees in chapter 11 proceedings, out-of-court workouts, and bankruptcy adversary proceedings and appeals, particularly in the mass-tort context.

Mr. Carrillo represents businesses and business owners in many industries in disputes and cases regarding breaches of contract, fiduciary duties, and other torts, fraudulent transfers, or antitrust claims. Additionally, Mr. Carrillo has served in various capacities on legal teams representing the following federal receivership and bankruptcy parties:

- >> The Court-Appointed Receiver in Securities and Exchange Commission v. Timothy Barton, et al. (N.D. Tex. 2022)
- » The Official Committee of Opioid Claimants in the chapter 11 cases of Endo International plc. (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2022)
- >> The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the chapter 11 cases of TPC Group, Inc. (Bankr. D. Del. 2022)
- The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the chapter 11 case of HONX, Inc. (Bankr. S.D. Tex. 2022)
- The Debtors in the chapter 11 cases of GTT Communications, Inc. (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2021)
- >> The Court-Appointed Receiver in Commodity Futures Trading Commission, et al. v. TMTE, Inc., et al. (N.D. Tex. 2020)
- Franklin Advisers Inc. in the chapter 11 cases of Chesapeake Energy Corporation (Bankr. S.D. Tex. 2020)
- >> The Official Committee of Opioid Related Claimants in the chapter 11 cases of Mallinckrodt plc. (Bankr. D. Del. 2020)
- >> The Court-Appointed Receiver in Securities and Exchange Commission v. William Neil "Doc" Gallagher, et al. (N.D. Tex. 2019)
- >> The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the chapter 11 cases of Purdue Pharma L.P. (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2019)
- >> Highland Capital Management, L.P. in the chapter 11 cases of Acis Capital Management LP (Bankr. N.D. Tex. 2018)
- The Debtors in the chapter 11 cases of Reagor-Dykes Motors, LP (Bankr. N.D. Tex. 2018)
- A corporate unsecured creditor in the chapter 11 cases of Sears Holding Corporation (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2018)
- » A corporate unsecured creditor in the chapter 11 cases of Sancilio Pharmaceuticals Company, Inc. (Bankr. D. Del. 2018)
- >> The Debtors in the chapter 11 cases of Preferred Care, Inc. (Bankr. N.D. Tex. 2017)
- >> The Liquidating Trustee in the chapter 11 cases of Mid-States Supply Company (W.D. Mo. 2016)
- The Court-Appointed Receiver in Securities and Exchange Commission v. Sethi Petroleum, LLC and Sameer P. Sethi (E.D. Tex. 2015)



ADMISSIONS

- >> Texas (2018)
- » U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western District of Texas
- U.S. Bankruptcy Courts for the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western District of Texas
- >> U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- >> Executive Office for Immigration Review, U.S. Department of Justice
- >> U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs



AFFILIATIONS

- >> State Bar of Texas
 - » Bankruptcy Young Lawyers Committee (2019–23)
- Dallas Bar Association
 - » Bankruptcy & Commercial Law Section (2018–Present)
- Federal Bar Association
 - » President, Dallas Chapter (2023–Present)
 - Dallas Chapter Executive Committee (2021–Present)
 - >> Co-Chair, Northern District of Texas Bench Bar Conference (2023, 2024 & 2025)
 - Northern District of Texas Bench Bar Conference Host Committee (2022)
- >> The Federalist Society

- Dallas Lawyers Chapter Board (2020–Present)
- Texas Young Lawyers Chapter Board (2021–Present)
- Student Chapter President, Washington and Lee University School of Law (2017–2018)
- DFW Association of Young Bankruptcy Lawyers (2018–23)
 - Co-Chair, Mentoring Committee (2019 2021)
- John C. Ford American Inn of Court (2019-22)
- Turnaround Management Association (2021–22)



FDUCATION

Mr. Carrillo exhibited an acumen for advocacy and leadership prior to practice. He has been a successful advocate his entire life, including winning over one hundred accolades for law school moot court and mock trial, college moot court and debate, and high school speech and debate. In college, he served as the student body president. Later in law school, he served as the 1L representative for the student body.

- Patrick Henry College, B.A., High Honors (2012)
 - » Major in Government: Strategic Intelligence
 - >> Honors: Tim LaHaye Award for Leadership (2012); Eastern Regional Champion, American Moot Court Association (2010)
 - President of the Student Body (2011–2012)
- Washington and Lee University School of Law, J.D. (2018)
 - Honors: Calhoun Bond University Service Award (2018); Semi-Finalist, Intramural Appellate Advocacy (2016); Semi-Finalist, Intramural Mock Trial (2016)
 - Appellate Advocacy Competition Co-Chair, Moot Court Executive Board (2017–2018)
 - Staff Writer and Senior Articles Editor, Journal of Civil Rights & Social Justice (2016–2018), and author of I Pledge Allegiance to the Party: Reclaiming the Associational Rights of Independent Voters in Open Primaries, 24 WASH. & LEE J. CIV. RTS. & SOC. JUST. 563 (2018)
 - Symposium Editor, Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy (2017)
 - 1L Representative, Executive Committee of the Student Body (2015–2016)
 - Clerk, Office of the Texas Attorney General's Special Litigation Division, which oversees the State's high-profile litigation against the federal government (2016)



HONORS

- "Texas Rising Stars," Texas Super Lawyers (2024)
- Future40 Award, Maverick PAC (2024)
- "Latino Lawyers to Watch," Latino Leaders (2021) >>
- James Wilson Fellowship, James Wilson Institute (2020) >>
- Burke to Buckley Fellowship, National Review Institute (2019) >>
- Blackstone Legal Fellowship, Alliance Defending Freedom (2016)



S IN THE COMMUNITY

Mr. Carrillo chose to be a lawyer because of his calling as an advocate. This showed even before law school, as Mr. Carrillo sought to serve in the Nairobi office of International Justice Mission, (IJM), an organization focused on ending slavery and other injustices globally. Upon obtaining his law degree, Mr. Carrillo has promptly logged hundreds of hours of pro bono work on behalf of his neighbors, fellow Dallas citizens, military veterans, and those in need.

Notable representation:

- >> 18 residents of Dallas and Fort Worth to confront and resolve five high-crime residential properties near downtown Fort Worth and across East Dallas, South Dallas, and South Oak Cliff in Dallas (cases referred by Advocates for Community Transformation (Act))
- A 26-year U.S. Marine Corps veteran from Texas on remand before the Board of Veterans' Appeals, which fully granted the veteran's desired disability status, resulting in backpay and retroactive unemployment benefits for the veteran and educational assistance for the veteran's children (case referred by National Veterans Legal Services Program)
- A four-year U.S. Marine Corps veteran from Texas on remand before the Board of Veterans' Appeals, which granted the veteran service connection for type II diabetes as due to exposure to herbicide agents at the Royal Thai Air Force Base in Nam Phong, Thailand in 1973 (case referred by The National Veterans Legal Services Program)
- An eight-year U.S. Air Force veteran from Texas on remand before the Board of Veterans' Appeals, which granted the veteran's requested relief to remand all three of the veteran's disability claims to a VA medical examiner for an opinion (case referred by The National Veterans Legal Services Program)

Mr. Carrillo also serves his local community through volunteer leadership and involvement in government and non-profit organizations:

- Judicial Nominating Commission, City of Dallas
 - Commissioner, District 4 (2021–Present)
 - Commissioner, District 14 (2021)
- Act (Advocates for Community Transformation)
 - >> Co-Chair, Justice Leadership Council (2022–24)
 - Seneration Justice Host Committee (2020, 2021 & 2022)
- International Justice Mission
 - >> Dallas Benefit Host Committee (2015 & 2019)
 - » Alumni Leadership Council (2014–2016)
 - Executive Assistant Intern, Nairobi, Kenya (2012–2013)
 - Investigations Intern, Washington, D.C. (2011)
- Patrick Henry College
 - Alumni Association Board (2019–2021)
- Washington and Lee University
 - Dallas Alumni Chapter Board (2021–23)
 - >> School of Law Young Alumni Council (2018–23)

MORE ABOUT ALAN CARRILLO

Born in Longview and raised in Bedford, Alan is a proud Texan. He resides in East Dallas with his wife Susanna, two children, and two Labrador retrievers. Alan enjoys reading, playing the piano at church, and spending time with his family and friends. He is also a diehard fan of the Dallas Cowboys, Texas Rangers, and Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox. Alan and his family are members of All Saints Dallas—an Anglican parish in downtown Dallas.