

Practice Areas

- Admiralty & Maritime
- Litigation

Education

- 1997, LL.M. in Admiralty, Tulane University School of Law
- 1996-97, Graduate Fellow in Maritime Law, Tulane University Maritime Law Center
- 1996, J.D., University of Mississippi
- 1992, B.A., magna cum laude, Nicholls State University

Honors

- Phi Kappa Phi
- Phi Alpha Theta
- Executive & Managing Editor, Journal of National Security Law
- Member, Mississippi Law Journal

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Court Admissions

- Court of Appeals for the Fifth Federal Circuit
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas

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Kevin T. Dossett is an experienced litigator whose primary practice focus is on the law of Admiralty/Maritime. He has successfully defended numerous Jones Act, General Maritime Law unseaworthiness, and LHWCA claims on behalf of international and domestic drilling contractors, exploration and production companies, inland barge lines, towboat companies, offshore construction companies, commercial diving contractors, commercial fishing vessel owners and charterers, and blue water shipping companies. Mr. Dossett is routinely involved in enforcing and defending claims for defense, indemnity, and additional assured coverage under oilfield master service agreements, handling vessel arrests, seizures, and releases, prosecuting actions for exoneration from or limitation of liability, and asserting and enforcing mineral liens in behalf of oilfield service contractors.

Mr. Dossett possesses considerable jury and bench trial experience as well as an advanced graduate degree in admiralty law. In addition, he applies a practical perspective to client issues, as a result of his work on the operations side for the world's largest offshore drilling contractor and the world's largest marine transportation contractor to the oil and gas industry. As a member of the Admiralty/Maritime Practice, he counsels and handles a full range of claims for clients including international drilling contractors, exploration and production companies, marine transportation companies, offshore construction companies, inland barge lines, towboat companies, shipping companies, commercial diving contractors, and their cargo, hull, P&I, and general liability underwriters.

Significant Matters

- Obtained defense verdict for in behalf of a major dredging contractor in a Jones Act and General Maritime Law claim tried in State Court in Texas' Rio Grande Valley.
- Successfully represented harbor tug in rem and vessel owner in multi-party litigation arising out of the grounding of a bulk ore carrier across the Neches River at Port Arthur.
- Successfully resolved multi-plaintiff (more than two hundred) claims against inland barge line in litigation arising out of a Naptha spill following a marine collision.

- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

Clerkships

- Hon. John Connery, 16th Judicial District Court, Franklin, Louisiana (1995)

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- Successfully argued for the right of an international subsea engineering firm to utilize a Panamanian-flagged vessel in a pipeline tie-in operation implicating U.S. Coastwise laws.
- Successfully represented a commercial diving subcontractor in payment and wrongful termination dispute arising out of work on large public works project in Austin, Texas.

News

- Chamberlain Hrdlicka Names Six New Shareholders

