

Jim Mitchell • Dallas

Jim Mitchell has extensive experience in representing clients seeking to recover damages in significant personal injury and wrongful death cases. Before forming PayneMitchell Law Group with Andy in 2007, Jim was a partner in other major personal injury firms in the Dallas area. He started his career at a large defense firm, but quickly found that his passion was in helping injured claimants rather than insurance companies, so he began representing victims in 1991. Jim's practice areas include product liability, medical malpractice, general negligence, nursing home negligence and class actions. His years of experience have made him adept at helping clients deal with not only the legal issues but also the personal challenges that come with a life-changing event. Over the course of his 25+ years as a trial lawyer, he has handled all types of catastrophic injury and death cases and tried dozens to jury verdict. He achieved a landmark 38 million dollar verdict against General Motors for a defective airbag case — the first of its kind in the country. Jim has proved that he is willing to take a case to court in order to bring justice to injured victims, and has helped hundreds of families in serious cases over the last 25 years.

Jim is Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law, a designation only a small number of lawyers achieve by taking cases to court. He is also licensed in Oklahoma and Arkansas. He is a statewide leader of the Plaintiff's trial bar, and has served as president of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association and treasurer of the statewide Texas Trial Lawyers Association. He is also a member of the prestigious national trial lawyer organization and the American Board of Trial Advocates. His leadership in the trial bar is unmatched.

Jim is a member of the Dallas Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Board of Trial Advocates, and the American Association for Justice. He has been a Director of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association (1998-2014) and a Director and Fellow of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association (1999-2014). Jim has been elected President of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association (2015), is a Treasurer of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association (2014-2016), has been on the TTLA Executive Committee for the last several years, and served as Chair of Continuing Legal Education for TTLA (2011-2014), organizing all legal education for members of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association statewide and serving as chair and moderator of numerous legal seminars and conferences across the country. He is a highly regarded speaker and has made influential presentations at universities, foundations and other legal organizations, as well as publishing articles in a number of professional journals. He has served on the State Bar Grievance Committee and as Chair for numerous Bar Association committees. Jim has been selected as a *Texas Monthly* Texas Super Lawyer every year since its inception in 2003, an honor less than 5% of lawyers statewide receive, and has been selected as one of the best lawyers in Dallas by *D Magazine* several years.

Founding partners Jim and Andy are the biggest donors to the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program/ pro bono legal aid the last several years, and have donated over \$150,000 for free legal aid.

Contact Jim at jmitchell@paynemitchell.com or 214.252.1888 to move your case forward