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Overview

Recognized as a “Top Women in Law in Houston” by the National Diversity Council, a “Texas Rising Star” by Thomas Reuters Super Lawyer, and as a member of “The Next Generation of Leading Lawyers” by Lawdragon, Alejandra Salinas tries high stakes cases in courtrooms across the country.

Alejandra has helped secure hundreds of millions of dollars for her clients on the plaintiff’s side and successfully defended her clients against numerous multi-million-dollar claims on the defense side. Alejandra litigates cases across a wide array of practice areas, including contract disputes, intellectual property disputes, antitrust claims, and many other complex commercial and financial matters. Her clients range from individuals and small businesses to Fortune 500 companies.

Among other cases, Alejandra currently represents Pulitzer-winning authors in a federal copyright infringement class action against OpenAI and Microsoft, related to the companies’ unlicensed use of the authors’ books for training its large language models such as ChatGPT (*Reuters*).

Alejandra also has significant pro bono experience, including successfully defending Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo and other county officials in election contests (*Texas Tribune*), working with the ACLU to secure a settlement with Magnolia ISD to eliminate its discriminatory hair policy (*Houston Chronicle*), co-drafting a Supreme Court amicus brief on political gerrymandering, and successfully arguing an immigration case before the 9th circuit whereby the client was able to remain in the country.

Before joining the firm, Alejandra was a surrogate for President Barack Obama and the youngest member of the Democratic National Committee’s Executive Committee. She delivered a nationally televised speech on the final night of the 2012 Democratic National Convention, addressed embassies around the

world, and was interviewed by CNN, Univision, Telemundo, NPR, PBS, and USA Today.

Notable Representations

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- ***Atlas Global Technologies LLC v. TP-Link Technologies Co., Ltd. et al (E.D. Tex.)*** Won a \$37.5 million verdict for Atlas Global Technologies in its patent infringement case against Chinese telecom equipment manufacturer TP-Link. A Texas jury issued the verdict against TP-Link for infringing five patents for wireless routers that meet an industry standard known as “WiFi 6,” which was developed to provide fast, efficient internet connections for high-density locations such as offices, shopping malls and apartment buildings. Following a five-day trial and just a few hours of deliberations, the jury determined TP-Link owes Atlas \$37,481,264 in damages. [Read more.](#)
- ***Mirada Energy LLC v. Oasis Petroleum Inc.*** Secured a [\\$42.75 million settlement](#) for oil and gas non-operator, Mirada Energy, in its breach of contract case against Oasis Petroleum. Mirada Energy, who was subject to a joint operating agreement with midstream participation rights, alleged that Oasis Petroleum breached this agreement when it refused to allow Mirada to participate in Oasis’s construction and operation of midstream facilities in North Dakota. Before settlement, Ms. Salinas took several key depositions, including Oasis’s Chairman and CEO, and successfully argued several discovery motions.
- ***UNM Rainforest Innovations v. Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC), Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd., and GlobalFoundries Inc.*** Secured confidential settlements for UNM Rainforest Innovations in its patent infringement cases against TSMC, Samsung, and GlobalFoundries involving semiconductor manufacturing technology. UNM Rainforest Innovations is the University of New Mexico’s non-profit corporation dedicated to commercializing the wide range of technology developed at the UNM. Ms. Salinas delivered the opening argument in an eight-figure arbitration against one of the defendants.
- ***Insignia Systems v. News Corporation and News America Marketing (NAM)***. Secured a [\\$20 million settlement](#) for retail marketing firm, Insignia Systems, in its antitrust case against News Corporation and its subsidiary NAM. Insignia was one of NAM’s only remaining competitors for in-store advertising displays and alleged that News Corp. and NAM acquired and maintained a monopoly in this market through exclusionary agreements.

Before settlement, Ms. Salinas deposed several current and former News Corp. and NAM executives.

Honors & Distinctions

- Lawdragon 500X – The Next Generation of Leading Lawyers ([2023](#), [2024](#))
- Rising Star, Texas Super Lawyers ([2022](#), [2023](#), [2024](#); Thomson Reuters)
- Future Leader – LGBT + Equality, Chambers USA ([2019](#))
- Top Women in Law, The National Diversity Council ([2017](#))

Clerkships

Chief Judge Sidney R. Thomas, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Education

Boston College Law School (J.D., cum laude)

- Point Foundation Scholar (national LGBTQ scholarship)

The University of Texas (B.B.A., Management,)

- Friar Society (UT's oldest honor society)

Leadership & Professional Memberships

- Former Co-Chair, Susman Godfrey Diversity Committee
- Board Member, Second Mile Haiti, a non-profit organization focused on empowering Haitian women and children
- Former Young Lawyer Representative, American Bar Association Antitrust Law Section
- Member, Houston Bar Association LGBTQ+ Committee