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Lisa A. Songy has extensive experience with first party and general civil litigation as well as coverage opinions for insurance carriers on both personal and commercial line policies.

Ms. Songy advises carriers on insurance coverage issues involving personal auto policies, business auto policies, commercial property, commercial liability policies, and homeowner policies. She also represents auto dealers in commercial disputes involving truth-in-lending, as well as UCC issues. Ms. Songy has tried lawsuits involving extra-contractual claims on both personal and commercial policies in state and federal courts as well as third-party liability lawsuits.



She completed her undergraduate studies at Southern Methodist University, graduating with a bachelor of science degree in political science in 1988. She earned her law degree from The University of Houston Law Center in 1991. She is licensed to practice in Texas and California, and admitted to practice before the U.S. District Court for the Northern, Southern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Texas, the Southern District of California, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit.

In 2009, she was elected to serve as a member of the Council of the State Bar of Texas Insurance Law Section and has served on various subcommittees including the Continuing Legal Education Committee and the Proposed Pattern Jury Charge Committee.

Ms. Songy has served continuously on the board of the Tort & Insurance Practice Section of the Dallas Bar Association since 2009 and is currently Chair-Elect. She is a member of the American Bar Association, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, and the College of the State Bar of Texas.

Ms. Songy was recently named to Best Lawyers in America for her experience and achievements in Insurance Litigation. She teaches accredited continuing education courses for lawyers as well as continuing education courses for insurance adjusters.

Ms. Songy is the mother of four active children, and in her spare time coaches youth basketball and track.

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Representative Cases

Allstate Ins. Co. v. Bonner, 51 S.W.3d 289 (Tex. 2001);
Chrysler Ins. Co. v. Greenspoint Dodge of Houston, Inc., 297 S.W.3d 248 (Tex. 2009);
Kindle v. United Servs. Auto. Ass'n, 357 S.W.3d 377 (Tex. App.—Texarkana 2011, pet. denied);
Owen v. Peltier Enters., 2011 Tex. App. LEXIS 6721 (Tex. App.—Tyler Aug. 24, 2011, pet. denied).

Publications & Presentations

Digging Up the Dirt: Skills for Effective Preparation and Taking of Depositions, Dallas Bar Association, Tort & Insurance Practice Section, November 19, 2010;
How to Host the Party: The Who, What, Where and When of Declaratory Judgment Actions, State Bar of Texas Advanced Insurance Law 2010, April 8-9, 2010;
Insurance Law Basics—What You Need to Know, 2010 Tort & Insurance Practice Section, April 7, 2010;
Does Public Policy Prohibit Coverage for Exemplary Damages After Fairfield? CPCU Continuing Education Event, March 23, 2010;
Conditions of Coverage—What Are They Good For? 14th Annual Insurance Law Institute, October 15-16, 2009;
Insurance Fraud: A Growing Epidemic or Just Another Reason to Deny State Bar of Texas, April 2, 2009;
Uninsured Motorist, Personal Injury Protection, and Stowers Demands—Three Ways to Mess Up a Carrier's Day, 13th Annual Texas Insurance Law Symposium, January 22, 2009;
Because I Can!!! But Should I? Litigation Strategies in Personal Lines Insurance Litigation, 13th Annual Insurance Law Institute, October 23, 2008;
Litigation Strategies in Personal Lines Insurance Litigation, University of Texas, 13th Annual Insurance Law Institute, October 22-24, 2008;
Insurance Fraud Civil and Criminal Implications, North Texas Independent Association of Special Investigative Units Annual Fraud Conference, May 9, 2008;
Insurance Fraud: What Is It? What Can We Do About It? And How Does It Impact Civil Litigation, University of Texas Insurance Law Institute, October 11-12, 2007;
Recent Developments in Personal Auto and Homeowner Policies, University of Texas Insurance Law Institute, December 7, 2006;
The More Things Change, the More They Stay the Same: An Update on Personal Auto Policy, Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law, January 26, 2006;
Calling the Insured's Bluff: Combating Fraud by the Insured, December 8, 2004;
An Update on Case Law Developments Regarding Personal Auto and Homeowner Policies, Texas Insurance Law Symposium, South Texas College of Law, January 22, 2004.

Ms. Songy also provides in-house continuing education courses for insurance carriers tailored to their specific needs.