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Education and Academic Affiliations

Baylor University, Juris Doctorate, 1996
Texas A&M University, Construction Engineering, 1993

Professional Associations and Memberships

Texas Trial Lawyers Association
American Association for Justice
East Texas Trial Lawyers Association
Northeast Texas Bar Association
T. John Ward Inn of Court

Bar and Court Admissions

Texas
Oklahoma
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
U.S. District Court, Western District of Oklahoma
U.S. District Court, Western District of Arkansas
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Arkansas
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
U.S. Federal Claims Court
U.S. Supreme Court

Neil Smith has spent his entire career with this firm. He joined Nix Patterson, LLP in 1996 and has devoted his entire legal career to representing injured victims. His work has focused primarily on catastrophic injuries, product liability, and sexual abuse cases. He has also served as lead counsel on numerous patent litigation cases.

Neil routinely works on important newsworthy sex abuse cases across the country. He has represented victims abused by evangelists, teachers, deacons, pastors, counselors, and ministers. Because of his work, organizations that harmed innocent children have been stripped of their assets and their members held accountable. Neil enjoys establishing relationships with his clients while working on cases that bring about positive changes.

In 2018, Neil obtained a \$35 million verdict against the Jehovah's Witness religious organization. His client recovered damages for the abuse she suffered after the church failed to protect her from a known child molester.

In his spare time, Neil enjoys running marathons and ultramarathons. He is most proud of his finishes at Western States 100, Leadville 100, and Badwater 135.