

## Jeffrey S. Taylor

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### Highlights

- Jury trial and courtroom experience
- Plaintiff and defense experience, ranging from real estate disputes to multi-million dollar product liability cases, to minor automobile collision and slip and fall cases.
- Have taken over 120 depositions, including dozens of expert witnesses.

### Experience

The Vines of Mendoza, Mendoza, Argentina – *Assistant General Counsel*, 2013 – May 2014

- *In-house counsel – Handle a wide variety of corporate legal matters, including real estate matters in Argentina; corporate finance transactions (U.S.); and real estate purchase and service contracts (in Spanish and English). Member of a strategic team to open a 5-star hotel and resort. The company is a vineyard and tourism real estate development company: [www.vinesofmendoza.com](http://www.vinesofmendoza.com).*

The Akin Law Firm, LLC, Austin, Texas - *Member*, 2010 – 2012

- *Litigation – legal malpractice, business torts, real estate, trademark, consumer, creditor/debtor*

Clark, Thomas & Winters, P.C., Austin, Texas - *Associate*, 2004 – 2010

- *Litigation – product liability, business, insurance defense, first party insurance, construction and consumer*
  - Defended Chrysler in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma product liability cases
  - Assisted class-action counsel in successfully defeating nationwide class certification of automotive product liability lawsuit in Canada.
  - Defended large foreign corporate defendant in Texas by filing special appearances
  - Obtained dismissal of premises liability lawsuit by showing defendant lacked right of control over premises

Taylor, Dunham & Burgess L.L.P., Austin, Texas - *Associate*, 2003 – 2004

- *Litigation – commercial litigation, intellectual property, first party insurance, consumer and employment litigation*

## Education

Baylor Law School - J.D. (2003), *with concentration in General Civil Litigation*

- Order of Barristers; semi-finalist, Dawson & Sodd Moot Court Competition
- First Place, National First Amendment Moot Court Competition, Washington D.C., and named “Best Speaker” in final round

Vanderbilt University - B.A. (2000), Political Science and Spanish, *cum laude*

- Member NCAA Division 1 Men’s Cross Country; top 5 finisher

Westlake High School, Austin, Texas – 1996 – National Merit Scholar

## Other Skills, Activities and Awards

- Fluent in Spanish (have conducted witness interviews and mediations in Spanish)
- Member of Austin Young Lawyers Association;
- Recipient of Austin Volunteer Legal Services award for *pro bono* work
- Long-distance runner