



## Darla Gabbitas

### **PARTNER**

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Darla is a partner in the litigation section of Wick Phillips and a business trial lawyer. She devotes her practice to identifying and solving problems for clients. Her practice focuses on all aspects of business law with an emphasis on fiduciary duties. Among many successful client outcomes, Darla's focus on complicated fiduciary matters has recently led to the successful resolution of a multi-million-dollar dispute regarding overlapping duties within limited liability companies, family limited partnerships, general partnerships, and numerous trustee roles. In other business matters, Darla was part of the trial team in a federal court trial for a Texas-based manufacturer regarding a licensing agreement. She has tried contract disputes in arbitration, regularly writes appellate briefing, and has argued complex personal jurisdictional issues to the Second Court of Appeals. For example, Darla successfully secured a summary judgment on all claims regarding breach of a purchase agreement; the judgment included treble damages under the Deceptive Trade Practices Act (DTPA).

Darla attended school at the University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, where she served on the executive board of the University of Denver Law Review and graduated in the top 6% of her class. Darla began her business law practice with Moye White in Denver, Colorado, and remains licensed in Colorado. Prior to joining Wick Phillips, Darla practiced at Bickel & Brewer in Dallas.

### **Articles**

- Co-author of Case Law Update for 12th Annual Business Law Course: Representing Growing Businesses — Texas State Bar Association (November 6–7, 2014)

### **All Practice Areas**

- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Litigation and Consultation
- Labor and Employment Litigation
- Trust and Estates

### **Education**

- University of Denver Sturm College of Law (J.D., 2008) Order of St. Ives
- Colorado State University (B.A., 2004)



**Memberships**

- William 'Mac' Taylor Inn of Court (2017-present)
- Sub-committee Co-chair, Membership and Diversity for the Business Torts & Unfair Competition Committee of the American Bar Association (2014-2016)
- Executive Board Member, Denver University Law Review (2007-2008)

**Admissions**

- Texas
- Colorado
- All United States District Courts in Texas