



## Connie Flores Jones

### OF COUNSEL

Connie Flores Jones has more than 25 years of experience in state and federal courts across Texas and nationwide. Her legal background includes representing numerous biotech industry clients in significant patent disputes, and banks and other financial services companies in commercial litigation matters.

Before joining Alavi Anaipakos, she spent nearly a decade with the national law firm Winston & Strawn LLP, representing clients in the financial services industry. Prior to that, she worked at a national IP firm for over ten years, representing clients in patent litigation matters involving genetically modified crops, such as corn, soybean, and potato, and the oil-services industry.



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Ms. Jones has extensive litigation experience representing clients in single-plaintiff and class action matters in federal and state courts. Her extensive litigation experience encompasses case development and strategy, discovery, case team management, drafting case dispositive motions, pre-trial and post-trial motions, overseeing complex multi-district and third-party discovery, and settlement negotiations.

With a proven track record, she routinely defends clients against claims asserting breach of contract, fraud, negligence, unfair and deceptive practices, and violation of federal consumer protection statutes. She has also handled jurisdictional disputes and title issues and helped secure an appellate victory for a national bank defending against a negligence suit brought by a consumer duped by a fraudster.

Ms. Jones is well-versed in handling appeals in both federal and state courts, holding admissions to the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the First, Second, Third, Fifth, Seventh, and Federal Circuits. Additionally, she brings significant expertise in intellectual property disputes, including in patent and trade secret litigation within the biotechnology sector.

Beyond her legal practice, she dedicates her time to pro bono work for Houston Volunteer Lawyers and Disability Rights Texas, further showcasing her commitment to making a positive impact in the community. She is also part of the leadership team of the Bright Star Chapter of National Charity League, Inc., and served on its Board of Directors for three years. As a member of Bright Star, she supports local and national philanthropic partners through community service and helps young women develop leadership skills.

Ms. Jones received her B.S., magna cum laude, in Genetics from Texas A&M University in 1992 and received her J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law in 1995, where she served as Chief Articles Editor for the Texas Intellectual Property Law Journal.

### Representative Cases

- Represented developer of transgenic corn technology in years-long series of patent infringement lawsuits and related interference actions involving insect-resistant and herbicide-resistant corn seed products. Helped secure wins on summary judgment, at trial, and on appeal.
- Represented national bank in federal lawsuit brought by consumer who alleged bank negligently failed to protect her from the financial exploitation of an unknown fraudster. Helped secure win on motion to dismiss and affirmance on appeal.
- Represented national bank in federal class action lawsuit brought by three plaintiffs

who alleged they were “tricked” into paying balance inquiry fees through “deceptive” prompts at third-party ATMs. Helped secure win on summary judgment and defeat of class certification.

- Represented national bank in federal lawsuit involving questions of subject matter jurisdiction and diversity of citizenship. Secured appellate victory and published opinion on determination of citizenship of REMIC trusts.

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## Education

- University of Texas School of Law, J.D., 1995
  - Chief Articles Editor for the Texas Intellectual Property Law Journal
- Texas A&M University, B.S. in Genetics, magna cum laude, 1992

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## Professional Affiliations

- State Bar of Texas
  - U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
  - U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
  - U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas
  - U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
  - U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

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