



Robert M. Kallam

Mediator

Robert Kallam is a formidable litigator with more than three decades of experience in resolving disputes in state and federal court, at trial, and on appeal. His area of specialties include marine, energy, transportation, and insurance companies involved in high-stakes, single, and multi-plaintiff litigation, as well as general casualty litigation. He also advises on contractual arrangements and risk mitigation strategies, as well as serves as a mediator in matters pending in state and federal courts.



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Concentrations

Admiralty and Maritime

Marine

Transportation

Energy Services

Oil & Gas

General Casualty Litigation

Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act

Premises Liability

Education

BS, Louisiana State University (1987)

JD, Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center (1990)

Recognitions

Admitted to practice law in LA and TX

Top Lawyer, Admiralty & Maritime Law, *Acadiana Profile*, 2014-2024

Distinguished Alumni Award, St. Thomas More Catholic High School, Inaugural Class of 2022

Hall of Fame, LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center, 1990

Fellow, American Bar Association, 2020 to date

Lafayette Acadiana Chapter Professionalism Award, Federal Bar Association, inaugural award in 2019

Biography

Known for being fair and objective, Mr. Kallam brings an extensive command of litigation procedure and a deep bench of skill to analyzing the distinct legalities of specialized industries. As a result, he regularly serves as a mediator for disputes involving the energy, maritime, transportation, manufacturing, and insurance industries.

Mr. Kallam represents clients in serious and complex lawsuits involving marine and energy matters, insurance disputes, premises liability, casualty claims, contractual disputes, and other civil disputes. He is skilled in drafting and negotiating Master Service Agreements and related arrangements, including insurance, risk, loss, allocation, and indemnity.

Among Mr. Kallam's clients are marine, drilling, and energy service contractors, energy companies, vessel owners, and other public and private entities – for whom he has handled fatality, bodily injury, commercial, contract, property damage, and toxic tort litigation. Mr. Kallam has favorably settled disputes involving drilling, energy service contractors, and operators in downhole oil and gas well failures, blowouts, and property damage.

In addition, Mr. Kallam has represented premises owners in litigation involving premises liability and other casualty matters, as well as energy sector clients in arbitration proceedings focused on commercial disputes and property damage losses. He serves as counsel for excess insurers of companies allegedly involved in life-altering explosions, marine and energy casualties, and transportation accidents, including catastrophic and brain injuries and death.

Mr. Kallam is AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell based on his legal knowledge, communication skills, and ethical standards. He has been recognized on the Louisiana *Super Lawyers*' list since 2008. Additionally, he was an honoree receiving the Best Lawyer award in the field of Administrative/Regulatory Law by *The Best Lawyers in America* from 2020-2025.