## UNDERWOOD

## D. CHRIS HARKINS

Shareholder

Chris Harkins has handled dozens of contested probate matters throughout his career. He is certified by the State Bar of Texas as an Attorney Ad Litem and is often called upon by local courts to represent the interests of proposed wards in guardianship proceedings which lends to his credibility and reputation.



Chris Harkins is a probate, estate planning, and litigation attorney. In the difficult situations of probate and estates, Chris Harkins is skilled at treating clients and their loved ones' wishes with care. He has advocated on all sides of the bar in will contests and guardianship fights.

Chris Harkins works with his clients to draft and execute wills, trusts, powers of attorney, and other estate planning vehicles that will withstand future litigation. His practice also involves traditional, uncontested probate and probate alternatives utilized to settle decedent's estates.

Chris Harkins also represents clients in the formation and operation of various business entities in Texas, including limited liability companies, limited partnerships, corporations, and general partnerships.

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

Amarillo Country Club, Board of Directors, 2018-2019
Hidden Falls Ranch, Board of Directors, 2011-2013
Project Healing Waters/Amarillo Fly Guys, 2010-2013, President 2011
Opportunity School Board of Trustees, President 2008
Amarillo Area Young Lawyers Association, Director, 2002-2006
United Way Loaned Executive, 2005
Texas Tech University School of Law Review, 2002-2003
Articles Editor, Texas Tech Law Review, 2002-2003

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#### PRACTICE AREAS

Business & Corporate Estate Planning

### **ADMISSIONS**

State Bar of Texas, 2003

#### **EDUCATION**

J.D., Texas Tech University School of Law, *cum laude*, 2002

B.G.S., West Texas State University, 1992

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### **OUTSIDE THE OFFICE**

Chris Harkins is married to attorney Joni Paul and has two daughters, Abby and Sophie. Outside of the office, Chris enjoys trout fishing and hunting with friends and family.