

Michael L. Harrison



Adjunct Professor **Michael L. Harrison** is a civil rights trial attorney involved in a variety of civil rights matters across the country.

Professor Harrison's practice involves investigating and litigating abuse of force and official corruption cases. He has significant experience handling all phases of civil rights matters—from the initial crime scene through jury verdict. Professor Harrison has significant experience as a trial lawyer. He has tried more than 50 cases, including 30 first-chair jury trials. His trial experience includes cases of Official Oppression, Aggravated Assault by a Public Servant, sexual assault, and murder.

Professor Harrison is a former chief civil rights prosecutor where he held a consistent record of success leading high-profile investigations of official bribery, theft, and tampering. His work as a prosecutor was highlighted by key indictments and convictions in law enforcement excessive force cases, including officer-involved shootings, inmate abuse, and in-custody deaths.

Professor Harrison's writing has been featured in TCDA's *The Texas Prosecutor*, and his major civil rights cases have been covered by the *New York Times*, CNN, and the *Washington Post*.

Professor Harrison currently serve as Senior Counsel at Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP. He is the practice leader of the Civil Rights and Racial Justice Pro Bono Practice across the firm's 17 North America offices. In this role, he provides experienced, high-level civil rights counsel to clients who could not otherwise afford it.

Professor Harrison is a native Houstonian. He received his B.A. from The University of Texas at Austin, his J.D. from Florida A&M University College of Law (FAMU), and an LL.M. from the University of Houston Law Center.