James H. Wallenstein



The Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Texas is particularly proud to announce that James H. Wallenstein, a shareholder in the firm of Jenkens & Gilchrist, is the 2001 recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award to a Distinguished Texas Real Estate Attorney. The Section invited nominations through the *Texas Bar Journal*. From among the nominees, a screening committee composed of Board Certified Real Estate Lawyers unanimously selected Mr. Wallenstein. The award was announced by Jerry Frank Jones, Chair of the Section, at the Advanced Real Estate Law Course held in June of 2001.

Mr. Wallenstein has over thirty years of practice in the area of commercial real estate, including purchases and sales, financings and restructuring, leasing, development, partnership and joint venture transactions for real estate developers, lenders and tenants. In addition, during that time he served as an Adjunct Professor at Southern Methodist University School of Law for thirteen years teaching a course entitled "Commercial Real Estate Transactions." He has chaired both the Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Texas and the Real Property Section of the Dallas Bar Association. He has also chaired the Texas State Bar Committee on Lawyers' Opinion Letters in Mortgage Loan Transactions and has lectured at and chaired various institutes on real estate law, including the University of Texas Mortgage Lending Institute, the State Bar Advanced Real Estate Law Course, the SMU Real Estate Law Institute and the Southwestern Legal Foundation Real Estate Institute. Mr. Wallenstein graduated cum laude and as member of the Order of the Coif from Southern Methodist University School of Law, was Editor-In-Chief of the SMU Law Review and served as a law clerk for the Honorable Irving L. Goldberg, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1967-68). In the May 2001 issue of D Magazine, a monthly magazine for the Dallas area, he was included in a list of the best lawyers in Dallas. His rating in the Martindale-Hubbell Legal Directory is "a v", he is listed in Best Lawyers in America in the category of real estate law, and he is a member of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. The Section congratulates Mr. Wallenstein on his lifetime of achievement on behalf of all Texas real estate practitioners.