

HOUSTON OFFICE



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GJTBS expanded to Houston in December of 1993 to meet the needs of its corporate clients. Houston attorneys of GJTBS handle a wide range of legal practice areas, including maritime and admiralty law, insurance defense and coverage, oil and gas, employer's liability, worker's compensation, products liability, railroad, trucking and transportation, premises liability, professional liability and subrogation recovery. The full-time Houston attorneys have a successful track record of obtaining favorable outcomes at great value to the firm and its clients. Whether you need a powerful trial team or an effective mediation/arbitration resolution, the Houston attorneys are a legal powerhouse you will want on your side.

Houston facts:

With a population of 6.3 million residents in early 2013, Houston is the fifth most populous city in the United States. Kiplinger's Personal Finance named Houston the No. 1 city in the country to live, work and play based on its strong economy, abundant jobs, reasonable living costs and fun things to do. In 2009, Houston ranked as the No. 2 city for Fortune 500 headquarters in Fortune magazine.

Although Houston remains the energy capital of the world, the industry has been streamlined and redefined. The city's history has been intertwined with that of the energy industry since the discovery of oil at Spindletop in East Texas in 1901. Within 10 years, that discovery led to the founding of The Texas Company (now Chevron) and Humble Oil and Refining Company (now ExxonMobil), both with operations based in Houston.

Today, Houston's economy is still based on energy, but to a lesser extent than in the boom days. The city is an industrial, commercial, educational and financial center. Its diverse economy includes space and science research firms, universities, leading medical facilities, technology companies, telecommunications companies, shipyards, grain elevators, and a wide range of other businesses. The emphasis on international trade is expanding every year and will be a prominent theme in the city's continued economic development. The Port of Houston is a world center of waterborne commerce. With sophisticated cargo handling systems and a strategic location at the confluence of major rail, truck and air transportation systems, the Port is positioned to serve international industries. The Port of Houston is made up of the Port of Houston Authority and the 150-plus private industrial companies along the Houston Ship Channel. All together, the port authority and its neighbors along the ship channel are a large and vibrant component to our regional economy. Having a well-staffed Houston law office is a vital part of serving the commercial clientele whom we are proud to represent.