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Joel Mohrman Shares Insights on Texas Business Court

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In a recent column for *Texas Lawyer*, Akerman Litigation Partner Joel Mohrman explains why strategic planning can pay dividends for savvy litigants in Texas' new business courts. The state opened the courts on September 1 this year to provide specialized venues for complex or high-dollar business disputes.

“Business courts give qualified litigants the ability to avoid pretrial proceedings in unfavorable venues,” Joel writes. “Whether filed initially in a business court or removed to it, pretrial proceedings will be held where the business courts sit — initially Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, and San Antonio. The removal process is analogous to removal to federal courts.”

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