



Macey Reasoner Stokes Class of 1985

Macey Reasoner Stokes is a partner at Baker Botts and Chair of the firm's Appellate Practice. Macey received her Bachelor of Arts in History summa cum laude from Yale University, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She received her Juris Doctor degree with high honors from the University of Texas School of Law in 1993. At Texas Law, she was an Associate Editor of the Texas Law Review, a Chancellor, and a Townes Rice Scholar. After graduation, Macey clerked for Chief Justice Thomas R. Phillips of the Texas Supreme Court.

Macey has been Board Certified in Civil Appellate Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 1998. Over her three-decade career, she has handled a wide variety of civil appeals and extraordinary proceedings in state and federal court, with significant experience in energy appeals. Macey has frequently provided appellate assistance at trial in complex, high-stakes litigation. She has been ranked Band 1 in Litigation: Appellate - Texas by Chambers USA annually since 2023. Macey has been named to Super Lawyer's Top 100 Texas list for 2025 and 2023, its Top 50 Women Texas list annually since 2021, and its Top 100 Houston list annually since 2016, as well as Texas Lawyer's triennial "Winning Women" list in 2014.

In 2022, Macey received the Gregory S. Coleman Outstanding Appellate Lawyer Award from the Texas Bar Foundation, and, in 2025, she received the Karen H. Susman Jurisprudence Award from the Anti-Defamation League. She was named one of the Top Ten Most Influential Texas Appellate Litigators by Business Today 2023 and selected as one of Lawdragon's 500 Leading Litigators in America for 2026 and 2025. The Texas Supreme Court appointed Macey to its Supreme Court Advisory Committee, and she serves as a Past President and Governor Emeritus of the Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit, a Past President of the Texas Supreme Court Historical Society, and a Past Chair of the Appellate Section of the State Bar of Texas.

Macey has served on the boards of the Houston Zoo, the Society for the Performing Arts, and the Phi Beta Kappa Society of Greater Houston. She and her husband Bob met in college and have been married for 30 years. They have two grown children.