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Overview

Dan's practice focuses on civil litigation with an emphasis on significant business, product liability, professional liability, and premises liability disputes. He has extensive litigation experience in cases involving complex medical and scientific issues.

Dan has tried numerous bench and jury trials in State and Federal Courts and has been engaged as counsel in several cases which resulted in published appellate decisions. He has longstanding relationships with several corporate clients, and serves as lead litigation counsel and as local, state or national coordinating counsel. Dan has extensive

experience in managing a varied portfolio of litigation and other liability matters on behalf of corporate clients. Dan provides litigation counsel to other law firms in connection with professional liability claims and lawsuits.

Dan acts as an advocate in mediations, including pre-suit mediations.

Dan speaks at both continuing legal education and client sponsored seminars on litigation related topics.

Experience

- Obtained summary judgments and favorable arbitration awards in professional legal liability matters.
- Represented several financial institutions litigation concerning loan participation agreements and auction rate securities disputes.
- Obtained dismissals of two major product liability cases in which persons with lost limbs alleged the existence of various product defects.
- Obtained a defense verdict for a national retailer in a trial involving claims of complex regional pain syndrome and total disability. The trial involved the testimony of multiple expert witnesses.
- Successfully represented a securities brokerage firm in FINRA arbitration.
- Recently obtained a defense verdict in a case in which permanent and total disability was alleged.
- Represented a product installer in the multiple cases arising from the Indianapolis Athletic Club fire disaster.
- Obtained summary judgments for real estate developers in litigation arising from attempts by prospective purchasers to enforce what were claimed to have been binding agreements to purchase.
- Obtained favorable settlements and summary judgments on behalf of manufacturers, distributors and installers of various products in actions in which exposures resulting in disease or death have been alleged.

Professional Activities

- American (Member: Section on Tort and Insurance Practice), Indianapolis and Indiana State Bar Associations

- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana
- Fellow: International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC)
- Defense Research Institute
- Indianapolis Lawyers Club
- Admitted to practice pro hac vice before many state and federal courts outside of Indiana

Awards & Honors

- Selected by peers as a Recipient of the Indiana State Bar Association Civility Award 2013
- “The Best Lawyers in America”[®] 2013 – 2019 in the fields of Commercial Litigation and Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Named “Lawyer of the Year” by Best Lawyers for Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, Indianapolis (2015 and 2019)
- Indiana Super Lawyer 2004 – 2019
- Listed by Chambers USA as one of the leading litigation attorneys in the State of Indiana

Practice Areas

- Asbestos Litigation
- Business Disputes
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- Professional Liability

Industries Served

- Family & Closely Held Businesses
- Insurance
- Manufacturing
- Professional Practices

Bar & Court Admissions

Admitted to the Indiana Bar and U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Northern Districts of Indiana and the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals

Education

Indiana University School of Law, J.D.

Member of National Moot Court Team

Selected for membership in the Order of the Barristers

Hamilton College, B.A.