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Overview

Matt has a wide range of civil litigation experience, both commercial and tort. He has appeared before federal and state trial courts throughout Indiana, and has argued before both the Indiana Supreme Court and the Indiana Court of Appeals. Matt has also resolved many cases through alternative dispute resolution and mediation. His goal is to provide his clients with efficient, practical, and effective counsel.

Matt's commercial litigation experience has included various breach of contract matters relating to business, construction, and real estate disputes, and landlord/tenant law.

Landlord/tenant law is a particular area of focus for Matt. He represents both landlords and tenants in the work-out of commercial lease disputes, and strives to salvage relationships when it best serves his clients' interests to do so. When relationships cannot be salvaged, Matt serves as an advocate for his clients' rights through litigation or alternative dispute resolution. Matt has extensive experience with the termination of tenant possessory rights and the enforcement of tenant obligations, but he has also protected the legal rights of several commercial tenants.

Matt also represents property owners who feel that they may be paying too much in real estate taxes. Specifically, Matt has experience in appealing the over-assessment of both commercial and residential real estate, and the denial of statutory real estate exemptions. This work has placed Matt before both County Property Tax Boards of Appeals and the Indiana Board of Tax Review.

Matt's tort litigation experience includes the defense of a broad array of product and premises liability cases. Matt's products liability defense work has related to asbestos, manufacturing equipment, and various consumer goods, and his premises liability defense work has included slip/trip-and-fall cases, and alcohol consumption cases. Matt also represents several Greek and fraternal organization in Indiana.

Professional Activities

- Former Chairman of the Product Liability Section of the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana
- Indianapolis and Indiana State Bar Associations
- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana

Articles & Presentations

- Co-authored an article regarding Indiana product liability law in the Indiana Civil Litigation Review, Volume II, No. 1, 2005

Awards & Honors

- Named an Indiana Super Lawyer Rising Star 2010 -2013
- Successfully completed the Indianapolis Bar Association's Bar Leader Series in 2005

Practice Areas

- Business Disputes
- Commercial Leasing
- Construction
- Creditors' Rights & Loan-Related Disputes
- Landlord/Tenant Disputes
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- Professional Liability
- Property Tax Appeal
- Real Estate Disputes
- Zoning & Land Use

Industries Served

- Family & Closely Held Businesses
- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Professional Practices
- Restaurant & Hospitality

Bar & Court Admissions

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

Education

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, J.D.



Indiana University, B.S.