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About Michael

With more than three decades of experience, Michael focuses his litigation practice on defending corporations and professionals against lawsuits. He works with insurance companies in insurance liability matters, including automobile accidents, catastrophic personal injury, wrongful death, ATV accidents, premises liability, product liability, construction, and legal and medical malpractice. Michael has secured first-chair jury verdicts and tried or arbitrated nearly 100 cases.

Michael's Affiliations

- Illinois Bar Association
- St. Clair County Bar Association

Areas of Focus

Industries: Construction; Energy & Environment; Insurance; Professional Services;

Transportation & Mobility

Services: Complex Tort & General Casualty; Litigation & Trial

Experience

- Obtained a defense verdict on behalf of a urologist and his practice in a medical malpractice action alleging unnecessary surgery to address intermittent testicular torsion.

- Resolved a legal malpractice suit with a favorable defense verdict in a matter where the plaintiff sued over a missed statute of limitations. The plaintiff had asked for \$8 million, and the jury awarded \$780,000.
- Obtained a favorable defense verdict in an ATV rollover death case. After reductions for comparative fault, the decedent's family was only awarded \$80,000.
- Successfully tried an asbestos case involving mesothelioma on behalf of Wheeler Protective Apparel against the plaintiff represented by Ness Motley Loadholt Richardson & Poole LLC in Madison County, Illinois.
- Obtained a favorable defense verdict in a dog attack case where the plaintiff, a UPS driver, claimed over \$200,000 in verified wage loss and requested \$1.6 million from the jury. The court entered judgment on liability against the defendant, and the jury awarded \$16,000 – just one percent of the plaintiff's request.

Recognition

- University of Missouri School of Law, *Journal of Dispute Resolution*, Member

Credentials

Education

University of Missouri School of Law, JD, 1989

Creighton University, BS, 1986

Bar Admissions

Illinois

Missouri

Interests

Did you know...

When not in the office, Michael enjoys finding his next favorite restaurant, no matter how far it takes him.