

James D. Wilson

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Overview

Jim practices in the areas of insurance coverage, commercial litigation, contract litigation, and commercial transactional law. He is 1987 graduate of the University of Detroit School of Law. Wilson earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan. He was admitted to the Michigan Bar in 1988, has participated in several American Bar Association committees and workshops, and is a frequent speaker at insurance coverage events, including before the Reinsurance Committee of Lloyd's, London, RIMS, and insurance coverage conferences.

Services

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Business Litigation

Contract Development

Complex Commercial Litigation

Insurance Agents and Broker

Insurance Coverage

- **Aviation**
- **Business Interruption and Time Element**
- **Casualty**
- **Commercial Crime**
- **Cyber**
- **Directors and Officers**
- **Environmental and Toxic Tort Liability**
- **Food Contamination and Recall**
- **Products Liability**
- **Professional Liability**
- **Property**

Education

University of Michigan, B.A., Political Science, 1977

University of Detroit School of Law, J.D., 1987

Bar & Court Admission

Michigan, 1988

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, 2004

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 1988

U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, 2016

U.S. District Court, District of Colorado, 2005

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, 1988

U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan, 1989

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, 1998

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, 1998

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio, 2004

U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania, 1994

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, 2002

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, 1992

Career Highlights

- \$1.7 million recovery for manufacturer accused of slogan and trade dress infringements;
- \$1.2 million recovery for policyholder under computer fraud portion of commercial crime policy;
- \$44 million recovery for pharmaceutical company relating to product liability claims;
- \$300 million recovery for food product manufacturer for toxic tort claims;
- \$2.3 million recovery for trucking company for asbestos claim;

- \$4.6 million recovery for manufacturer arising from claimed copyright infringements;
- \$2.7 million recovery for business interruption claim resulting from furnace explosion;
- \$125 million recovery for auto manufacturer for time element claim;
- \$3.6 million recovery for policyholder against insurance broker; and
- \$20 million recovery for insurance broker against former employees for breach of employment agreements.

Awards

Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent rating, 1992 to present

Judicial AV Preeminent, 2015 to present

Super Lawyers 2011 to present

Affiliations

State Bar of Michigan

American Bar Association

Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association Detroit Economic Club

Greater Detroit Area Chamber of Commerce Risk &

Insurance Management Society

Community Involvement

American Cancer Society

Livonia Patriots Baseball

St. Patrick Church

St. Patrick School

University of Michigan Alumni Association

Former Employment

Plunkett Cooney, Shareholder, 1987 to 2004

Auto Club of Michigan, Claim Representative, 1978 to 1987