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Overview

Mike practices in the areas of insurance coverage, corporate governance and regulatory compliance, commercial agreements and litigation, mergers and acquisitions, employment, error and omission disputes, reinsurance and insurance regulatory law. He is 1985 graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. Mike earned his undergraduate degree in 1982 from Marquette University. He was admitted to the Michigan Bar in 1985. Mike has been a speaker at numerous corporate governance, and employment, as well as insurance-related programs relating to the Association of Corporate Counsel, Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel, and the Insurance Institute of Michigan. He is a past board member of the Association of Corporate Counsel (Michigan Chapter) and the Insurance Institute of Michigan.

Services

ADR Facilitator and Mediator in Insurance Coverage Disputes

Alternative Dispute Resolution (Facilitation / Mediation)

Confidentiality & Non-Competition Agreements

Corporate Governance & Compliance

Business & Commercial Litigation

Employment Compliance & Litigation

Reinsurance

Agent and Broker Litigation

Insurance Coverage

- **Automobile Liability**
- **Construction**
- **Commercial Crime**
- **Commercial General Liability**
- **Cyber Risk**

- **Directors and Officers**
- **Employment Practices Liability**
- **Excess / Umbrella Liability**
- **Health Care**
- **Pollution**
- **Product Liability**
- **Professional Liability**
- **Property**
- **Workers' Compensation**

Insurance Regulatory Consulting for Insurance Companies/Agents

Education

Marquette University, B.A., 1982

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, J.D., 1985

Bar & Court Admission

Michigan, 1985

U.S. District Courts:

Michigan Eastern District

Career Highlights

Managed the legal department of a public company, and successfully defended two shareholder class actions & SEC inquiries, coverage and bad faith litigation across the United States, reinsurance disputes and employment and commercial litigation

Led the Company's legal department through thirteen acquisitions, two public company mergers and several insurance agency acquisitions

Filed and successfully appeared before Insurance Departments for several Form A filings and hearings, as well as Form D filings

Served as the Compliance Officer for an insurance holding company system, and assisted with responding to consumer regulatory complaints

Managed former public company's human resources, claims and internal audit departments

Led the purchase of the company's healthcare, automobile, umbrella, liability, property, cyber, employment, errors & omissions, directors & officer's insurance

Awards

Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Leader in the Law, 2008

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Time & Talent, 2012

Affiliations

State Bar of Michigan

Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC), Michigan, Past President & Director

ACC Foundation, Michigan Chapter, Past President & Director

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Alumni Association, Past President & Director

Dean's Advisory Board, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law (2016 - Present)

Oakland County Bar Foundation, Past Director

Insurance Institute of Michigan, Past Director & Executive Committee Member

Adjunct Professor of Law, Western Michigan University Cooley Law School, Insurance LLM Program (2012-Present)

Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel (Past Member)

Evan's Scholar Committee, Oakland Hills Country Club (2016 – Present)

Prior Employment

Plunkett Cooney, Associate (1985-1990)

Plunkett Cooney, Shareholder (1990-1993)

Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc. (Assistant General Counsel (1993-1996)

Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc. Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary (1996-2015)

Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc. Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary (2015- 2016)