



## Michael E. Brown

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## Practice Areas

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- Administration Law
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith
- Professional Liability

## Education

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- Indiana University, Phi Beta Kappa, 1974
- Indiana University (MBA), 1978
- Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Magna Cum Laude, 1978 - Articles Editor, Indiana Law Review

## Author & Speaker

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- "Insurance Impact of Autonomous Vehicles," ICLEF Insurance Masters Series Program, October, 2018
- An Attorney's Duty to Disclose Evidence to Opposing Counsel, International Association of Defense Counsel Professional Liability Committee Newsletter, October 2014
- "Seventh Circuit" (chapter 7), ERISA Survey of Federal Circuits - 2010 Edition, 2010
- "Litigating Claims Against Professionals in Bankruptcy Court", International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) Professional Roundtable, 2009
- "Insurance Bad Faith Claims", Lorman Education Services, 2008, 2007
- "Legal Ethics", Lorman Education Services, 2008
- "Advanced Insurance Law", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Foundation (ICLEF), 2008
- "Avoiding Legal Malpractice", Indianapolis Bar Association (IBA), May 9, 2007
- "Insurance Bad Faith Claims", Lorman Education Services, May 22, 2007
- "Client Development Pitfalls for the Unwary", American Bar Association's (ABA) Fall 2007 National Legal Malpractice Conference, September 19 - 21,

2007

- "Advanced Insurance Law Coverage Issues in Consumer Privacy Class Action Claims", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum (ICLEF) Masters Series, August 25 - 26, 2006
- "Legal Ethics & Professional Liability in Indiana", Lorman Education Services, December 8, 2005
- "An Analysis of the Commercial Liability Policy in Business Litigation", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum (ICLEF) Masters Series, 2005
- "Commercial General Liability Insurance Policies - Legal Issues of Coverage Determination", Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters Society (CPCU) Central Indiana Chapter Industry Day, 2005
- "Smart Practice, Not Malpractice", CNA Insurance, 2005
- "Bad Faith and Experts in the Disability Area", American Bar Association (ABA) Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section (TIPS) Conference, January 13 - 16, 2005
- "Legal Ethics & Malpractice in Indiana", Lorman Education Services, 2004
- "Civil Discovery: The Tough Issues Argued", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum (ICLEF), 2004
- "Ethical and Practical Considerations", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum (ICLEF), 2003
- "Common Life, Health and Disability Coverage Issues", Advanced Law Seminar, 2002
- "Mold, Mildew and Other Microbial Matters", American Bar Association (ABA) Teleconference, 2002
- "The Tort of Bad Faith", Lorman Education Services, 2002
- "The Irony of Intentional Torts", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum (ICLEF), June 2001
- "Indiana Legal Ethics and Malpractice", Lorman Education Services, September 20, 2001
- "Litigating Extra- Contractual Claims in Indiana", National Business Institute (NBI), 2001

## Distinctions

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- Selected for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America for Legal Malpractice Law- Defendants (2023)
- Named to the 2014, 2015, & 2018 Indianapolis Legal Malpractice Law - Defendants "Lawyer of the Year" by The Best Lawyers in America®
- Selected for inclusion on the Super Lawyers list

published in Indiana Super Lawyers Magazine (2004-2022)

- Selected for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America® for Legal Malpractice Law - Defendants (2009-2022)
- Diplomat of the Indiana Defense Trial Counsel (2009)
- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating – by Martindale-Hubbell

## **Involvement**

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### **Memberships**

- American Bar Association (ABA) - Chairman of the Health and Insurance Disability Insurance Law Committee, 2006-2007
- American Bar Association (ABA) - Standing Committee on Professional Responsibility, Associate Member, 2000-Present
- American Bar Association (ABA) - Chairman of the Professional Liability Committee, 2009-2011
- American Bar Association (ABA) - Member of Law in Public Service Committee of the Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section of the ABA, 2009-Present
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana (DTCI)
- Federal Law Clerk Society
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA)
- International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) - Vice Chair, Property Insurance Committee, 2007-2009
- International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) - Chair, Professional Liability Committee, 2009-2011
- Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS)
- The Harmonie Group

## **Admissions**

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- Indiana, 1978
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 8th Circuit
- Supreme Court of the United States

## **Biography**

Mike Brown uses his many years of experience and rich background to assist clients in protecting

their legal interests. Practicing law for over 40 years, his practice focuses on Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith, and Professional Liability cases involving accountants, attorneys, insurance agents, and other professionals. Mike is also a Registered Civil Mediator. Mike received a master of business administration concurrently with his juris doctorate. He served as a law clerk to a federal judge and served on the firm's Management Committee for nearly 20 years. Due to his extensive interaction with other attorneys, both locally and nationally, Mike has been recognized by his peers with several legal awards, including being named a Diplomat of the Indiana Defense Trial Counsel in 2009, being selected for inclusion on the Super Lawyers list published in Indiana Super Lawyers Magazine every year since 2004, and being selected inclusion in the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 editions of The Best Lawyers in America® in the area of Legal Malpractice Law. Mike has become an active member and leader in several organizations related to his practice. For over 40 years, Mike has been active with the TIPS section of the American Bar Association, allowing him to learn, educate, and interact with other lawyers who offer insight into emerging trends in a variety of legal jurisdictions. He is also a member of the International Association of Defense Counsel which he chaired the professional liability roundtable 2012-2013 , and has served as the chairman of the Professional Liability Committee.