



## Crystal G. Rowe

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### Practice Areas

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- Appellate Representation
- Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith
- Professional Liability

### Education

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- Indiana University, 1997
- Indiana University Maurer School of Law, 2000
- Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies, Editor-in-Chief

### Author & Speaker

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- Presenter, Appellate Practice Seminar: Focus on Motions, Panel Discussion with the Honorable Judge Leanna K. Weissmann, 2023
- Moderator and Presenter, A Look at Indiana's Appellate Courts: Statistics, Trends & Amicus Practice, Panel Discussion and CLE for the Indiana State Bar Association, 2017
- Moderator and Organizer, Appellate Practice Skills Seminar focusing on E-Filing in Indiana's Appellate Courts, Panel Discussion and CLE for the Indiana State Bar Association, 2016
- Presenter, Persuasive Appellate Writing, CLE for the Indiana State Bar Association's Solo and Small Firm Conference, 2016
- Moderator, Effective Appellate Advocacy, Panel Discussion and CLE for the Indiana State Bar Association's Annual Meeting 2013
- Presenter, Court of Appeals Argument Tips and Plenary Session on Recent Amendments to Indiana Appellate Rules, CLE for the Floyd County Bar Association, 2012
- Presenter, Appellate Practice Survey, Panel Discussion and CLE for ICLEF, 2011
- Facilitator, Diversity in Appellate Practice, Panel Discussion and CLE for the Indiana State Bar Association's Annual Meeting, 2010

- Moderator, Making Your Case: The Art of Persuading Judges Indiana Style, Panel Discussion and CLE for The Evening With the Appellate Judges, 2010
- Presenter, How To Draft An Appellate Statement Of Facts, Panel Discussion for the Appellate Skills Institute, 2009
- Author, United States Supreme Court To Determine The Constitutionality Of The Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, Created By Title I Of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002: Free Enterprise Fund v. Public Company Oversight Board, 537 F.3d 667 (D.C. Cir. 2008), cert. granted 129 S. Ct. 2378 (2009), 8 Appellate Issues, Volume 2, (2009)
- Author, Working Toward a Global Discourse on Children's Rights: The Problem of Unaccompanied Children and the International Response to Their Plight, 7 Ind. J. Global Studies 299, 7 Ind. J. Global Studies 299 (1999)
- Author, China's Newly Enacted Intercountry Adoption Law: Friend or Foe?, 7 Ind. J. Global Legal Studies 369 (1999)

## **Distinctions**

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- Selected for inclusion on the Rising Stars list published in Indiana Super Lawyers Magazine (2010, 2011, 2013, 2014)

## **Involvement**

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### **Memberships**

- 7th Circuit Bar Association
- American Bar Association (ABA)
- Council of Appellate Lawyers (CAL) - Chair of Publications Committee, 2011-2013
- Council of Appellate Lawyers (CAL) - Board Member of Executive Committee, Representing the Interests of Indiana, 2009 - 2011
- Council of Appellate Lawyers (CAL) - Editor of Appellate Issues, 2009 - 2011
- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana (DTCI) - Amicus Committee Member
- Floyd County Bar Association (FCBA) - President, 2011-2013
- Floyd County Bar Association (FCBA) - Vice President, 2010-2011

- Floyd County Bar Association (FCBA) - Secretary-Treasurer, 2009-2010
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) - Appellate Section, Chair, 2017-2018 (and has held multiple leadership roles in the Section since 2007)
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) - Board of Governors, 2014-2016
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) - Contributor to the Indiana Appellate Practice Manual, 2008
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) - Appellate Rules Update Committee, 2008
- Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) - Indiana Bar Leader Series III Participant, 2005-2006
- Inn of Court
- Kentucky Bar Association (KBA)
- Louisville Bar Association (LBA)
- One Southern Indiana
- The Indiana Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure, Vice-Chair, 2024-2025, member since 2016

## **Civic and Charitable Organizations**

- National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
- Junior Achievement of Southern Indiana

## **Additional Training**

- American Bar Association (ABA) Appellate Practice Institute participant, 2009
- Leadership of Southern Indiana, Member of the Elevate 2025 Program, 2024-2025 Admissions

## **Admissions**

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- Indiana, 2000
- Kentucky, 2006
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

## **Biography**

Crystal Rowe is one of Kightlinger & Gray's five member Management Committee. She spent five

years working as a judicial clerk at the Indiana Court of Appeals and another year working as a trial court clerk in Allen County before joining Kightlinger & Gray, LLP. These experiences give her a deep understanding of appellate and trial practice, enabling her to more efficiently assist clients with Appellate, Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith, Professional Liability, and General Insurance Defense matters. Crystal also has experience before the Department of Administration. Crystal is an active member of several legal and professional organizations. She is a past Chair of the Indiana State Bar Association's Appellate Section and has held other leadership positions in the Indiana State Bar Association, Floyd County Bar Association, American Bar Association (ABA) Counsel of Appellate Lawyers, Defense Research Institute (DRI), and Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana (DTCI). In 2016, Crystal was appointed to the Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure—a Committee charged with reporting to the Indiana Supreme Court from time to time with recommendations and proposed amendments to promote simplicity in procedure, just determination of litigation, and elimination of unjustified expense and delay. Crystal was a participant in the Indianapolis Bar Leader Series III and the Appellate Practice Institute. In 2010, 2011, 2013, and 2014, Crystal was selected for inclusion on the Rising Stars list published in Indiana Super Lawyers Magazine. Crystal currently serves as the Chair of the firm's Appellate Practice Group.