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Professional Profile

Bruce is a licensed attorney admitted in Minnesota State and Federal Courts since 1975. He tried over 100 cases to conclusion in Federal, State and administrative bodies including workers' compensation. Bruce is also an Adjunct Professor at William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he has been employed part time since 1987. He teaches trial skills and appellate advocacy.

Bruce was the managing attorney for Candlin, Faulkner and Sjostrom in Minneapolis from 1977 to 1985 practicing in civil litigation and workers compensation. In 1985, he became a staff attorney for the St. Paul Companies. In 1987, he became the manager of the St. Paul Companies Minnesota staff attorney office. The office defended thousands of civil and workers compensation throughout Minnesota. In 2010 after the merger of the St. Paul Companies and Travelers Insurance Company, he became the practice group leader of the Minnesota civil litigation staff attorney office until he retired in 2012.

Bruce has held elected leadership positions in the Minnesota State Bar Association including president of its civil litigation section. He is also a board member of the Minnesota State Bar Foundation who provides grants to various nonprofit organizations providing free legal services to those in need.

Employment Chronology

Altair Associates, Inc.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

December, 2014 / Present

Senior Claim Analyst

- Senior Claim Analyst for an insurance and reinsurance services firm.

William Mitchell College of Law
St. Paul, Minnesota

September, 1997 / Present

Adjunct Professor of Law

- Teaching all aspects of civil litigation including interviewing clients, preparing and taking depositions, preparing and conducting opening and closing argument as well as direct and cross examination.
- Coach of mock trial team.

*St. Paul Companies / Travelers Insurance Companies,
St. Paul, Minnesota*

July, 1985 / December, 2013

Practice Group Leader

2011 - 2013

- Managed all civil cases in Minnesota staff attorney office.
- Defended high exposure cases through jury verdict and appeal.
- Represented Travelers in subrogation litigation including jury trial against at fault parties.

Managing Counsel

1987 - 2011

- Managed Minnesota staff attorney office.
- Office defended thousands of lawsuits in all matters the Company wrote insurance including workers compensation matters.
- Continued to defend high exposure cases including medical malpractice cases.

Staff Attorney

1985 - 1987

- Tried and defended cases representing St. Paul Companies and or their Insured throughout Minnesota. Cases involved all aspects of litigation including pre trial discovery, depositions, jury trials in Minnesota and appeals in state and Federal Court. Cases involved defending insureds and Company in any matter the Company wrote insurance including automobile, product and premise liability, defamation, error and omissions, professional liability and workers compensation.

*Rodgers, Rude, Candlin, Faulkner & Sjostrom
Minneapolis, Minnesota*

January, 1976 / June, 1985

Managing Partner

- Litigated and tried criminal and civil cases and workers compensation in all State administrative and Federal Courts in Minnesota.
- Managed the firm for most of this time.

*John A. Kintzele
Attorney at Law
Denver, Colorado*

January, 1972 / June, 1975

Law Clerk

- Investigator and motion and brief writer in criminal and civil litigation.

*University of Denver Law School
Denver, Colorado*

January, 1972 / January, 1974

Juvenile Court Intern

- Representing numerous juveniles in all aspects of defense including jury trials as allowed in Colorado.

Cretin High School
St. Paul, Minnesota

September, 1970 / June, 1971

Teacher

Educational Qualifications

University of Denver Law School, J.D. 1974

University of St. Thomas, B.A. 1971

Professional Achievements

- Certified by the Minnesota Bar Association as a civil trial specialist 1995 thru 2013
- Av rated by Martindale-Hubbell, highest rating for competence and ethics
- Elected member of the American Board of Trial Advocates
- Past President of the Minnesota Bar Association Civil Litigation Section
- Board of Director of the Minnesota Bar Foundation

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court of Minnesota
- Minnesota Supreme Court
- American Arbitration Association No Fault Arbitrator

Volunteer Activities

- Reed Sweat Tennis Center for children, ages three to seven
- Red Cross blood donor for thirty years
- Mock Trial Judge for local Twin City high schools and law schools