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Stacy Ertz approaches litigation matters with a collaborative team attitude believing the best defense is based on an accessible and interactive partnership with her clients. Stacy has more than 15 years of legal experience in the areas of insurance coverage, commercial litigation, trucking law, personal injury defense and premises liability. In recent years, she has devoted a significant portion of her practice to representing leading insurers in first- and third-party insurance coverage cases and extra-contractual matters, including insurance coverage defense, providing detailed coverage analysis, conducting examinations under oath, arbitrations and appraisals. Thoughtful and determined in nature, Stacy has successfully argued cases on behalf of her clients before the Minnesota and Wisconsin circuit and appellate courts.

In her transportation litigation practice, Stacy represents intrastate and interstate trucking companies involved in motor vehicle accidents. This trucking litigation typically involves complex issues of accident reconstruction, driver fatigue, driver qualifications, H.O.S. rules, safety training and data retention. In this area, she is extremely knowledgeable about the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMSCR) and Department of Transportation (DOT) rules and regulations.

Stacy is admitted to practice in Minnesota and Wisconsin; the U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit; and the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin. She is a member of DRI, Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association (MDLA), Minnesota Women Lawyers Association (MWL), as well as the Ramsey County, Wisconsin and Minnesota State Bar associations. Within the firm, Stacy chairs the Associate Mentoring and Training Committee.

She received her J.D., *cum laude*, from William Mitchell College of Law and her B.A., *magna cum laude*, from St. Cloud State University. She is a contributing author to the Minnesota State Bar Association's (MSBA) *Bench and Bar* publication.

As a professional committed to giving her time and talents to others, Stacy has served on the Ramsey County Bench and Bar Benefit Committee and Minnesota State Bar Association's Lawyers for Literacy Campaign as a volunteer, visiting schools to read with children.

Outside of her day-to-day practice, Stacy enjoys spending time with her family. She assists with coaching her children's soccer and baseball teams and attending their swim practices. She also enjoys boating, hiking and gardening.

## KEY PRACTICE AREAS

Insurance coverage, transportation litigation, premises liability, personal injury defense, products liability and appellate practice.

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- Minnesota
- U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
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