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Overview

The majority of Joel's practice is in insurance coverage and defense. He handles an extensive variety of first- and third-party commercial insurance coverage disputes ranging from advising clients regarding basic coverage issues to complex coverage litigation. Areas of coverage expertise and litigation experience include commercial crime, financial institution bonds, commercial general liability, commercial property, surety, miscellaneous bonds, professional liability, errors and omissions, Directors and Officers, environmental, reinsurance, and subrogation. Joel is recognized in the list of Minnesota Rising Stars by Minnesota Super Lawyers® magazine. He is also an Associate Editor of *The Fidelity Law Journal*.

In his spare time Joel enjoys doing anything outdoors, and in the summer you will find him boating, following the Twins, or playing baseball with his sons.

Education

- ◆ Drake University Law School, J.D., with high honors, Order of the Coif, 2000
- ◆ Concordia College, B.A., 1997

Experience

Professional Affiliations

- ◆ American Bar Association
 - ◇ Tort and Insurance Practice Section
 - ◇ Fidelity & Surety Law Committee
- ◆ Minnesota State Bar Association
- ◆ Hennepin County Bar Association

Services

State Bar Admissions

Minnesota, 2000

Federal Court Admissions

Supreme Court of Minnesota, 2000

United States District Court of
Appeals, Eighth Circuit, 2007

United States District Court, District
of Minnesota, 2001

United States District Court, District
of North Dakota, 2005

United States District Court, District
of Wisconsin, 2010

Notable

Accolades

- ◆ Selected for inclusion in the Minnesota Rising Stars list, Thomson Reuters, (Only 2.5 percent of the Minnesota attorneys are given this honor), 2004, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

Speaking Engagements & Publications

- ◆ Panelist, MMA Cyber Seminar 2018–Framework of a Cyber Breach (October 2018)
- ◆ Presenter, Social Engineering Insuring Agreements: Development Limits, and Exclusions, 2018 American Bar Association Fidelity & Surety Law Midwinter Conference, January 26, 2018, Washington, DC
- ◆ Author, "The Worthless-Collateral Rule," XXI FID. L. J. 177 (2015)
- ◆ The Ownership Condition in the Crime Policy, CE presented on March 18, 2015, Hartford, CT “Compensability of Third-Party Losses,” in COMMERCIAL CRIME INSURANCE COVERAGE 217 (Randall I. Marmor & Susan Koehler Sullivan eds., 2014)
- ◆ The Economic Loss Doctrine, CLE presented on October 23, 2012, St. Paul, MN
- ◆ Exhaustion of Coverage: Practical, Legal and Ethical Issues Arising in Claims Involving Multiple Insureds, presented to Surety & Fidelity Claims Institute, June 23-24, 2011, Galloway, NJ
- ◆ Author of materials, Insurers’ Ethical Duties to Insures When Acting As Co-Insurers, presented at ABA Mid-Winter Meeting, January 22-23, 2009, New York, NY
- ◆ "Computer Fraud and Funds Transfer Fraud Coverages," XIV FID. L.J. 109 (Oct. 2008) "The Loan Loss Exclusion," in LOAN LOSS COVERAGE UNDER FINANCIAL INSTITUTION BONDS 123 (Gilbert J. Schroeder & John J. Tomaine eds., 2007)
- ◆ Author of materials, Privilege & Confidentiality Issues in the Fidelity Case, presented to Fidelity & Surety Law Committee of the ABA Annual Mid-Winter Meeting, January 25-26, 2007, San Francisco, CA
- ◆ "Claims-Handling and Ethical Considerations," in COMMERCIAL CRIME POLICY 567 (Randall I. Marmor & John J. Tomaine eds., 2d ed. 2005)
- ◆ Author of materials, Rights to Salvage and Other Recovery Issues, presented to Surety Claims Institute, June 24-25, 2004, Hot Springs, VA
- ◆ "The Loss Under Prior Policy Provision," FIDELITY & SURETY LAW COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER (ABA-TIPS, Chicago, Ill.), Winter 2004, at 13
- ◆ "Application of the Loss Under Prior Policy Provision," IX FID. L.J. 77 (Oct. 2003) "Appropriating Public Funds for Private School Instructional Aids and Materials," 48 DRAKE L. REV. 605 (2000)