



INSURANCE EXPERT WITNESS

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The Insurance Archaeologist™ | "I dig for buried treasure in insurance policies"

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CURRICULUM VITAE

Current

- Litigation and Claims Management
- Insurance Bad Faith
- Risk Management Consulting
- Captive Insurance Management
- Legal Research
- Insurance Policy Review

Licenses/Certifications

- Property and Casualty Insurance Broker – Various states.
- Adjuster – Various states.
- Certified Risk Manager

Areas of Expertise

Insurance Policy Coverage Opinions
Claims Handling
General Liability Policies
Captive Insurance Regulations
Litigation Management
Risk Management Standards
Sexual Misconduct Cases

Bad Faith
Third Party Administrator Standards
Captive Insurance Management
Agent & Broker Standards and Practices
Unfair Claims and Settlement Practices
Directors & Officers Liability
Errors & Omissions

Education

Juris Doctor - Cumberland School of Law, Samford University – Birmingham, AL - 2011

Masters of Business Administration, Global Business Management – Tempe, AZ – 2000

Certificate in Risk Management – Tempe, AZ - 1994

Bachelors of Science, Business Management – California Lutheran University – Thousand Oaks, CA - 1992

Associates Degree – Arizona State University – Tempe, AZ – 1990

Experience

The Insurance Archaeologist – 2019-Current - Nashville, TN and Phoenix, AZ

Expert Witness and Risk Management Consulting.

Sedgwick – 2017-2021 - Nashville, TN

Litigation Manager and Claims Team Lead for Sedgwick. Responsible for accounts including but not limited to, USA Cycling, Major League Baseball, Office Depot, Coca-Cola and FedEx Supply. Third party administrator handling exposures for product liability, general liability, commercial truck and auto liability, catastrophic bodily injury claims. Monitor legal precedents and claims handling requirements/best practices for all 50 states. Research and ensure compliance of specialized risk management programs and instructions drafted for individual clients.

Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc., - 2013-2017 - Brentwood, TN

On-Site vendor assigned to Tractor Supply Company corporate headquarters in Brentwood, TN as Senior Resolution Manager heading a team of adjusters responsible for the general liability claims against all Tractor Supply Company retail locations. Responsibilities included liability coverage analysis, review of commercial property lease agreements for all non-owned retail locations, attendance at all mediation and trial proceedings on behalf of TSC. Additional responsibilities included: Providing recommendations and coordinating the implementation of loss prevention measures with local retail location managers and employees. Providing annual in-person review of individual store loss history with retail location store managers. Liability policy review and providing written recommendations of coverage applicability. Supervising the set-up, investigation and establishment of over 200 bodily injury and property damage claims maintaining nearly a 100% closure rate.

Risk Management Services, Inc., - 2003-2013 - Tempe, AZ

In charge of the claims and litigation for all RMS Clients. Assisted in the development of custom risk management solutions for individual clients, including identifying specific risks and drafting custom insurance policies and litigation management programs to mitigate exposures and reduce legal defense expenses.

Directors and Officers Liability policy review and claims handling.

Property & Casualty Insurance Broker.

Coordinate and assist with yearly claims and actuarial reviews, audits and reports.

Managed construction defects litigation for commercial property developer Desert Troon Company.

Implemented and managed loss control and risk management procedures that resulted in the dramatic reduction of catastrophic bodily injury claims, reducing high deductible payouts thereby preserving the client's loss reserves and contributing substantially to portfolio growth.

Over 20 years-experience in litigation management for USA Swimming, (Amateur and Olympic Level, USA Swimming is the National Governing Body sanctioned by the U.S. Olympic Committee under authority of the Federal Ted Stevens Amateur Athletic Act). Cases involved property damage, catastrophic bodily injury, sexual misconduct, Federal Anti-Trust and Directors and Officers Liability.

Managed captive insurance company for MVT Services Trucking Company based out of Las Cruces, NM including Cargo and Physical Damage losses for over 500 owner operator and independent drivers along with specialty risk programs.

Peak Insurance Group, Inc., - 1997-2003 - Phoenix, AZ

Established specialized risk management programs for clients with unique and difficult risks. Property & Casualty Broker. Provided industry specific, specialized programs for multiple clients including setting up and implementing litigation management programs. Licensed field adjuster for Peak Insurance Group. Responsible for vetting various business affiliations and employee hires including due diligence and background checks.

Anderson Law Offices – 1993-1994 - Jacksonville, FL

Assigned by Jardine Matheson North America (for whom Anderson Law was lead trial counsel) to assist in the defense of several clients. Responsibilities included legal research and trial preparation for Board Certified Trial Attorney. Duties also included investigations, deposition prep, expert witness identification and vetting.

Jardine Matheson North America- 1992-1997 - Phoenix, AZ

Brokered new commercial insurance accounts and serviced books of business for Account Executives. Introduction to claims management for self-insured clients. Licensed property and casualty insurance producer and adjuster.

Associations/Volunteer Work

Williamson County C.A.S.A (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for Williamson County, TN Juvenile Court. Volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocate for abused and neglected children. Franklin, TN.

Literacy Council of Williamson County - Volunteer instructor of ESL (English as a second language) for advanced English - Franklin, TN.

Former Member of the Men's Art Council, Phoenix Art Museum, Arizona.

Expert Witness Trial and Deposition Case List

Jane Doe v. US Swimming, Missouri Valley Swimming, Lexington/AIG et al. Case 0516-CV-23636, Jackson County Circuit Court, Kansas City, Missouri

Ethan's Glenn Community Association, Inc. v. USI Southwest, Inc. Case No. 2019-15843 – 281st Judicial District, Harris County, TX

William G. West, Trustee of Paula Douglass v. USI Southwest, Inc., et al. Case No. 2019-60723 – District Court 270th Judicial District, Harris County, TX

Spencer Jackson v. SPC Leasing, et al. Opinion Only – No suit filed to date.

Arizona Broadway Theater v. Glendale Insurance, et al. Superior Court, County of Maricopa Case No. – CV 2020-010495

KLOS v. Glendale Insurance, et al. Superior Court, County of Maricopa Case No. – CV 2020-010495