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## KURTIS B. REEG, INSURANCE EXPERT WITNESS



### LEGAL PRACTICE

**Kurt has extensive experience in cases involving agents and brokers, assignments of policies and rights, traditional and institutional bad faith claims, catastrophic/complex/large losses and claims, claims handling practices/training/regulations, claims investigations, denials of coverage, duties to defend and settle, industry customs, standards and training, late notice, misrepresentations, non-waiver letters and time-limited demands, policy forms (history/meaning/use), rescission of insurance policies and reservation of rights letters (among others), and has served as an expert witness in state and federal cases with respect to many of these topics.**

Kurt is a Top Rated - AV Preeminent Lawyer™ by Martindale-Hubbell® who has practiced law for 40+ years and has been admitted to numerous state and federal courts across the country. Throughout the course of his career, Kurt has worked with and for most of the major property and casualty insurers throughout the country and has litigated many different types of sophisticated coverage claims for insurance-industry clients. He has served as a National Coordinating Counsel for The SAFECO Companies in the toxic tort, environmental, long-tail and complex

claims fields, and represented one of the firm's member companies in Minnesota's landmark direct action against the insurance industry seeking cleanup of 106 environmental sites throughout the state. He also represented a SAFECO company for more than a decade in the \$500 million, nationwide W.R. Grace asbestos coverage litigation in the federal courts of New York — trying several cases, prevailing on summary judgment, and arguing and prevailing in the U.S. Second Circuit Court of Appeals. He was counsel for another major P&C insurer in the nationwide Burlington Northern hearing loss insurance coverage case in Illinois. He is routinely hired by insurers and their lead counsel in Midwest coverage cases.

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- **Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel (FDCC):** Recipient, 2001 Andrew C. Hecker Award for most outstanding Quarterly article of the year; Insurance Coverage Section (Past Chair); Casualty Insurance Section; Class Action Section (Chair, 2010-2011; Vice-Chair, 2008-2010); Products Liability Section; Toxic Tort & Environmental Law Section: Chair, 2001–2003; Vice-Chair, 1999–2001, 2016–present; Other Section Memberships: Alternative Dispute Resolution; Class Action and Multidistrict Litigation; Drug, Device and Biotechnology; Energy Utilities Law; Extra Contractual Liability; Product Liability; Reinsurance, Excess and Surplus Lines; Trial Tactics, Practice and Procedures.
- **Defense Research Institute (DRI):** (Drug and Medical Device Committee; Insurance Law Committee; Products Liability Committee; Specialized Litigation Groups for Manufacturers' Risk Prevention, Hand and Power Tools; Children's Products; Toxic Tort and Environmental Law Committee [Asbestos, Mold and Indoor Air Quality Special Litigation Groups]);
- **Business Counsel, Inc. (BCI):** a network of law firms based in the United States and abroad focused on providing high quality legal services to the corporate business community. Former member of Board of Directors.
- **Environmental and Emerging Claim Manager Association (EECMA);**
- **Forum for Environmental and Toxic Tort Issues (FETTI);**
- **Product Liability Advisory Council (PLAC):** Sustaining Member, 2008-2019;
- **Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA):** Past Chair of Constitutional Law Section; Member- Section Council-Insurance Law Section; Agricultural Law Section; Mineral Law Section; Task Force on the Unauthorized Practice of Law; and
- **Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM),** Member (2013-2017), among others.

### **HONORS**

- Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Rating: AV Preeminent (listed for Insurance Law, Product Liability Law, and Toxic Torts);
- American Lawyer, Top Rated – AV® Preeminent Lawyers™ in Mass Tort Litigation (Listed in 2012 in the first-ever Top-Rated Lawyers® section for Mass Tort Lawyers; profile included in The American Lawyer and Corporate Counsel Magazine);
- Awarded the 2018 Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who;
- Named to the Missouri Bar's 2017 Pro Bono Wall of Honor;
- Named "Unsung Hero in Business" and received the Community Service Recognition Award from the St. Louis Small Business Monthly in 2016;
- Named in Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers, 2015–present; and
- Member of Board of Trustees of Missouri Baptist Medical Center (Chair-Foundation Board; Member, Medical Ethics Committee); and
- Former Member of Board of Directors of Life Crisis Services (suicide hotline).

### **PUBLICATIONS and PRESENTATIONS**

- Mr. Reeg has presented scores of papers, seminars and speeches on insurance-related and other topics.