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ADMISSIONS

Illinois
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U.S. District Court for the
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EDUCATION

Valparaiso University School of
Law
Michigan State University,
B.S., Political Science

Curriculum Vitae: Elizabeth R. Hopkins

Lizabeth R. Hopkins has been practicing law since 1996, and has extensive experience in a variety of litigation matters. She focuses her practice in general litigation, personal injury, civil rights, automobile negligence including third party liability and no fault, contract disputes, construction, subrogation, professional liability, home insurance claims, coverage, and premises liability.

Throughout her career, Liz has tried over 40 cases to verdict as lead or second chair. She has handled defense litigation cases for several insurance companies in matters involving coverage and liability. Liz excels at devising litigation plans, and engages in all phases of pretrial preparation. She is adept at navigating and complying with litigation and reporting guidelines imposed by multiple insurance companies, third-party administrators, and self-insured clients. Liz is dedicated to maintaining a primary focus on obtaining the best results for her clients.

Representative Case Highlights

- On a construction case, Liz’s good use of surveillance made an impact on the jury trial. The plaintiff, working from the roof on a movie theater, fell after not tying off and attempting to walk backward. He claimed physical and mental damages in the amount of \$13 million. Liz noticed a dramatic difference in his behavior in the courtroom, and suggested the use of surveillance. The video produced evidence of the plaintiff outside of the courtroom showing significant improvement in his demeanor and mental state, which called into question the severity of his injuries. This resulted in a hung jury and the case was eventually settled later for a significantly decreased amount.
- On a case involving an automobile accident, the plaintiff, a high school student, was rear-ended by the Defendant. Although there was no visible damage to her vehicle, the plaintiff claimed a variety of physical injuries and attributed them to the incident. Liz obtained a defense verdict when the defense compared the lack of damage to the vehicle to the overinflated story of the plaintiff.

Publications

“Recently Rejected, Connecticut Rule, Changes the Game for Landowners,”
NRRDA Newsletter (June 2015)



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