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ADMISSIONS

Indiana
U.S. District Courts for the
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EDUCATION

Valparaiso University School of
Law, J.D. *summa cum laude*
Indiana University Northwest, B.A.
summa cum laude



Curriculum Vitae: Amalia J. Gemelas

Amalia J. Gemelas focuses her practice on representing clients in a variety of civil litigation matters including, automobile litigation, UM/UIM, premises liability, transportation defense, and workers' compensation.

Graduating *summa cum laude* from Valparaiso University School of Law, Amalia also earned her Bachelor of Arts in History and Philosophy *summa cum laude* from Indiana University Northwest.

While in law school, Amalia was a Federal Judicial Extern for the Honorable Paul R. Cherry of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana. She was awarded the *Distinguished Student Award* by the Valparaiso University Alumni Association, the *Scribes Award* in Legal Writing, as well as a nominee for the National Association of Women Lawyers' *Outstanding Student of the Year*.

In addition, Amalia was President of the Student Bar Association and the International Moot Court Society. She participated in the Monroe E. Price International Media Law Moot Court Competition, and was awarded *Best Oralist* in the International Moot Court Society Intra-School Competition.

When she is not advocating for her clients, Amalia is active in her local community. She volunteers for 500 Turkeys, a program that provides free Thanksgiving meals for families in need.

Representative Case Highlights

- Amalia was recently successful in a small claims matter involving an insurance company who improperly filed a document on behalf of one of its insureds with the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles. As a result, the insured's driver's license was suspended. In the small claims action, plaintiff insured alleged pain and suffering damages as a result of the suspension and filing. Such damages are not supported by Indiana law. After arguing the damages component, the judge agreed that damages were improper and entered a full defense verdict. Prior to the hearing, settlement negotiations were ongoing, and the insurance company offered to tender the plaintiff's full damages request.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Indiana State Bar Association