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#### ADMISSIONS

Michigan

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Michigan

#### EDUCATION

University of Toledo College of Law, J.D.

Michigan State University, B.A., International Relations

#### MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of Michigan

- Insurance and Indemnity Section
- Negligence Section
- Appellate Practice Section



## Curriculum Vitae: Christine M. Sutton

Christine M. Sutton's practice involves all aspects of insurance coverage and defense in auto and property matters, with a focus on fraud investigation, litigation and appellate work. She has extensive experience defending insurance carriers in first-party claims under the Michigan No-Fault Act, representing carriers in affirmative causes of action against medical providers where there is a suspicion of fraudulent practices, litigating declaratory actions to determine policy coverage and handling subrogation matters.

Christine has conducted investigations of insurance claims and fraud rings, including taking examinations under oath and providing clients with legal opinions regarding policy coverage, rescission issues and questions of law on specific claims and fraud schemes. She has represented insurance carriers before the Michigan Court of Appeals and the Michigan Supreme Court.

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### Speaking Engagements

- "A Dialogue on Michigan No-Fault" (November 2020)
- "Changes to No-Fault: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" (October 2019)
- "Fraud Indicators" (October 2019)
- "An Overview of the Michigan No Fault Act; Tips and Tools for Adjusters" (October 2019)
- "Fraud, *Bahri*, and Where the Courts Stand Today" (October 2018)
- "Fraud Rings and Preparing for Recovery Actions" (July 2018)
- "Next Level Investigations" (July 2018)
- "Trial: Mirror Image" (March 2016)
- "Recognizing and Investigating Fraudulent Claims" (February 2016)
- "Investigating Attendant Care" (October 2015)
- "Detecting Insurance Fraud" (February 2015)
- "Recognizing and Investigating Fraudulent Claims" (January 2015)
- "Understanding Michigan Recovery Actions" (December 2013)
- "An Overview of the Michigan No-Fault Act and Investigative Tools Available to Insurers" (April 2013)

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### Appellate Opinions

- *Burris v. Allstate Insurance Company*, 480 Mich. 1081, 745 N.W.2d 101 (2008) (reversing the Court of Appeals' decision and reinstating the trial court's Order for Judgment Notwithstanding the Verdict in Part because the plaintiff did not establish that the attendant care expenses were "incurred" as the attendant care providers did not expect compensation for their services).
- *State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company v. Broe Rehabilitation Services*, 289 Mich. App. 277; 811 N.W.2d 1 (2010) (No-Fault insurer had standing to bring declaratory action for discovery under MCL 500.3158 and 500.3159 against a medical provider with a history of fraudulent practices).