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Practice Areas

- Automobile Accident Defense
- Bank Litigation: Collections and Foreclosures
- Commercial Lines (Premises Liability)
- Contract Disputes
- Dram Shop Litigation
- Jail and Prison Liability
- Medical Malpractice
- Municipal Liability Defense
- Municipal Representation and Counsel
- Personal Lines (Premises Liability)
- Products Liability
- Trusts, Wills, and Estates
- Workers' Compensation Defense
- Wrongful Death Defense

Ricardo A. Hall is a highly experienced civil litigation attorney. He focuses his practice defending individuals, business entities, and municipalities in matters pertaining to general liability, vehicular accidents, premises liability, products liability, and workers' compensation. With an unswerving commitment to obtaining the very best results for his clients, Ricardo takes a proactive approach to his cases, while striving for an expeditious and satisfactory resolution of each case, whether via settlement or through trial.

Before joining Kopka Pinkus Dolin, Ricardo spent twenty-two years at a prominent Indiana defense firm, where he developed and honed his litigation skills. There, in addition to serving as president and managing partner, Ricardo supervised the Subrogation Litigation Department, and tried many cases before judges, as well as juries.

At Kopka Pinkus Dolin, Ricardo expanded his focus to include employment law, developing and enhancing expertise in the defense of professional liability matters, in addition to the defense of employers and municipalities against a variety of labor and discrimination-based claims.

Memberships

- Calumet American Inns of Court

- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indiana Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness
- National Association of Subrogation Professionals
- Northern District of Indiana Federal Community Defenders, Inc., Board Member

Trial and Case Highlights

- In a week-long premises liability trial, Ricardo successfully defended a northwest Indiana grocery chain. The case involved a slip and fall in the produce section allegedly due to grapes on the floor. In addition to the claim for compensatory damages, the plaintiff's husband also presented a derivative consortium claim. The demand at trial substantially exceeded the amount for which defendant was willing to settle. Ricardo raised comparative fault, and linked the claimed injuries, including coccydynia (tailbone pain), to pre-existing conditions. A defense verdict followed, from which no appeal was taken.
- In a recent case involving a semi-tractor trailer accident, with damages alleged to be in excess of fifty million dollars, judgment was entered by default as against Ricardo's clients and two co-defendants. Ricardo mounted a challenge against the judgment, and secured relief in the form of an Order setting the judgment aside vis-à-vis his clients. Ricardo then filed a Motion for Summary Judgment which prompted favorable consideration by counsel for the plaintiffs relative to the dismissal of all claims filed as against Ricardo's clients.

Admissions

- Indiana
- U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

Education

- Indiana University Maurer School of Law – Bloomington, J.D.
- Howard University, M.M.E.
- Virginia Union University, B.A.