



# KRISTINA M. MACIONSKI

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## Practice Areas

- Appellate Work
- Automobile Accident Defense
- Bad Faith
- Contract Disputes
- Coverage Litigation
- Employment Practices Liability
- Excess Liability Claims
- Fire and Explosion Litigation
- Fraud Defense/EUO
- Healthcare and Long-Term Care Defense
- Insurance Agent (E&O)
- Mediation
- PIP
- Personal Lines (Premises Liability)
- Products Liability
- Professional Liability
- Provider Suits
- Retail and Restaurant (Premises Liability)
- Subrogation
- UM/UIM
- Wrongful Death Defense

Kristina Macionski is a skilled litigator focusing her practice on insurance liability and defense, handling cases ranging from first-party PIP, third-party automobile negligence, complex liability claims, subrogation matters, employment law, premises liability, and property loss.

Kristina has represented her clients as first- and second-chair attorney at trial, adding several substantial no-cause wins for her clients. She often delves into complex questions of law to deliver positive appellate results including an impressive result on an emergency appeal on a claim that was originally valued at \$25 million. Due to her persuasive arguments to the Michigan Court of Appeals, she prompted the plaintiff to seek a settlement for substantially less money.

Prior to joining Kopka Law in Michigan, Kristina worked as a legal aid attorney representing impoverished and elderly clients and freelanced with large law firms and Fortune 500 legal departments, consulting on various issues surrounding document discovery and production. She expanded her experience at a boutique insurance firm where she handled a large docket of cases. Thereafter, she transitioned to one of the largest law firms in the state where she obtained the role of Shareholder and managed a

large litigation docket.

Kristina received a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Economics & Policy from Michigan State University and remained in East Lansing to earn her Juris Doctor at MSU College of Law. In law school, she served as the Executive Editor of the Journal of Animal and Natural Resource Law and interned with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, where she researched policy issues, drafted court documents for lawyers and opinions for administrative law judges and wrote environmental “Public Participation Principles” that were incorporated into a proposed State Environmental Justice Plan. During her undergraduate studies, she studied abroad in Australia and New Zealand and was a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and the Gamma Sigma Alpha (National Greek Honor) Fraternity.

## **Awards and Accolades**

- Best Lawyers Ones to Watch (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)

## **Memberships**

- Alpha Chi Omega Sorority
- Gamma Sigma Alpha (National Greek Honor) Fraternity
- State Bar of California
- State Bar of Michigan, Young Lawyers Section

## **Presentations and Publications**

- “The Shelton Situation: Can Common Law Fraud Be Asserted Against Third Parties?” Insurance Alliance of Michigan Seminar (September 2018)

## **Admissions**

- California
- Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

## **Education**

- Michigan State University College of Law, J.D. (2011)
- Michigan State University, B.S. (2008)