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A passionate and strategic trial advocate, Dina takes an aggressive, yet civil approach to garner positive outcomes.

Practice Areas

Appellate
Class Action Defense
Drug & Medical Device
Product Liability
Professional Liability
Toxic Tort

Biography

Dina is a legal strategist and trial attorney who honors responsive client service as a top priority. Dina has served as lead counsel in numerous lawsuits and bet-the-company litigation involving multi-million-dollar claims, ranging from breach of contract, false advertising, unfair competition, unfair commercial practices, consumer fraud, and breach of warranty to claims of serious injury caused by products liability and professional negligence. She has significant jury trial experience in state and federal court and substantial appellate experience—defending mass torts, class actions, government enforcement actions, drug and medical device cases, toxic tort and chemical exposure cases, and professional liability lawsuits, including legal malpractice.

Dina also counsels clients through government investigations and assists professionals facing disciplinary grievances and licensing issues. Her mass tort and class action defense work is national in scope and has included lawsuits filed in numerous states from New York to California, as well as lawsuits consolidated as part of multi-district litigation.

Dina has represented clients ranging from solo practitioners to some of the largest firms in Indianapolis and has utilized or deposed preeminent experts in legal malpractice and legal ethics. In addition, she has defended lawyers in a diverse array of substantive areas, including estate planning; wills and trusts; criminal defense; corporate law; derivative litigation; family law; business transactions, such as stock sales, asset sales, and mergers; medical malpractice; and personal injury.

Most importantly, Dina is a passionate and outstanding defender of the profession. She works hard to mount an aggressive, thorough defense on behalf of all her professional clients. The results she has achieved and the friends she has made in the legal community have been the greatest rewards gained from this hard work.

Away from work, Dina considers herself an outdoor enthusiast, who enjoys gardening, hiking, and paddle boarding. She also relishes in training her beautiful Pomeranian, Woodhouse.

Accolades, Affiliations and Activities

- ALFA International
 - Diversity & Inclusion Committee, 2016-present
 - International Client Seminar Chair, 2021
 - International Client Seminar Co-Chair, 2020
 - Marketing Committee, 2015-2019
 - Product Liability & Complex Torts Practice Group - Steering Committee, 2015-present
 - Professional Liability Practice Group - Steering Committee, 2015-present
 - Women's Initiative - Steering Committee, 2015-2019
- American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)
- Indiana Super Lawyers, 2011-2023
 - Rising Stars, 2009
 - Top 25 Women, 2011-2023
 - Top 50, 2013, 2017, 2019-2023
- Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review - Rated AV® Preeminent
- National Institute for Trial Advocacy - Next Generation Faculty, 2012-2013
- The Best Lawyers in America, 2011-2023
 - Indianapolis, Lawyer of the Year - Product Liability Litigation, 2023
 - Indianapolis, Lawyer of the Year - Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action, Defendants, 2022-2023
 - Indianapolis, Lawyer of the Year - Professional Malpractice Law, 2015, 2021, 2023

Publications and Presentations

- Riding the Wings of Transformation: The Power of Radical & Fundamental Change," Chair, ALFA International Client Seminar, March 2-4, 2021.
- "Call Me When You Have No Class: Hot Topics in Consumer and Other Class Actions," Moderator & Speaker, ALFA International Products Liability & Complex Torts Seminar, June 1-3, 2022.
- "Are You Kicking Her? Fun with Focus Groups and Mock Trial Madness," Moderator & Speaker, ALFA International Insurance & Professional Liability Seminar, June 22-24, 2022.
- "Combating Counterfeiting and Gray Market Sales," ALFA International Webinar, October 7, 2020. [Click here to view the webinar recording.](#)
- "Reply All: Has the Attorney-Client Relationship Suffered in an Over-Connected World, Why it Matters and Can We Make it Better?," ALFA International Client Seminar, Dana Point, California, March 13, 2020.
- "Game On: A Debate on #MeToo and Its Impact on Business, Social Equality, and Due Process of Law," ALFA International Client Seminar, Dana Point, California, March 1, 2019.
- "Stemming the Tide: Preventing the Erosion of the Attorney Client Privilege," ALFA International Webinar, December 19, 2018. [Click here to view the webinar recording.](#)
- "Trade Secret Litigation: Selected Aspects from a Mock Jury Trial," ALFA International Webinar, June 26, 2018. [Click here to view the webinar recording.](#)
- "Setting Down the Reptile 2.0: Tactics, Technology, and the Next Generation in Professional Liability Defense," ALFA International Product Liability and Employment Law Seminar, New York, NY, June 14, 2018.
- "Building Trial Skills: Indianapolis, NITA National Institute for Trial Advocacy, October 8-13, 2017.
- "When Legal Nightmares Become Reality - You Mean All These People Are After US?," ALFA International Product Liability and Complex Tort Seminar, Santa Barbara, CA, October 6, 2017.
- "Protecting Your Business Before, During and After 'Bet the Company' Litigation - Selected Aspects of the Trial of a Business Litigation Case," ALFA International Business Litigation Practice Group Seminar, Chicago, IL, September 15, 2017.
- "Rolling the Dice with Your Law License: An Interactive Legal Ethics Presentation, Know When to Hold'em and Know When to Fold'em, Addressing Topics to Help you Identify and Assess Risk on your Professional Liability Claims," ALFA International Professional Liability Practice Group Meeting, Mashantucket, CT, August 3, 2017, Moderator.
- "Teaching a Lawyer to Fish: The Karaoke Session," ALFA International Client Seminar, Aventura, FL, March 2-5, 2017, Panelist.
- "Making the Record: The Pitfalls, Tips, and an In-Depth Look At Creating and Using Incident Reports," ALFA International, Product Liability & Complex Torts Practice Group, November 15, 2016, Panelist. [Click here to view the webinar recording.](#)
- "A Woman's Place: How to Get into the First Chair," ALFA International, Women's Initiative Program, October 26, 2016, Panelist.
- "NITA National Session - Building Trial Skills, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Boulder, CO, July 20-28, 2016, Faculty Member (including lecture and demonstration on closing argument).
- "The Reptile Theory: Snakes Everywhere - How Not to Lose Your Case During Deposition Cross-Examination, Medmarc - 29th Annual Medical Device Seminar, La Jolla, CA, June 8-10, 2016.
- "What the Heck Happened? The Eyes Don't Have It!," 2016 ALFA International Client Seminar - Plenary Session, March 4, 2015, Panelist and Mock Trial Presenter.
- "NITA National Session - Building Trial Skills, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Boulder, CO, July 24-August 1, 2013, Faculty Member.
- "Trialism in the Courtroom: What Neuroscience Says about Bias, Loyalty, and Group Behavior," 2015 ALFA International Client Seminar, March 7, 2015, Panelist & Mock Trial Presenter.
- "Beware of the Weekend Link! Mitigating supply chain risk: Best Practice Risk Management and Risk Transfer Strategies, Indiana Health Industry Forum, May 6, 2014, Panelist.
- "The Prom Dance: Working Together with a Group of Defendants," 2014 ALFA International Client Seminar, March 8, 2014, Panelist.
- "NITA National Session - Building Trial Skills, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Boulder, CO, July 23-31, 2014, Faculty Member.
- "NITA National Session - Building Trial Skills, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Boulder, CO, July 24-August 1, 2013, Faculty Member.
- "Practical and Thoughtful Tips for Successful Litigation Management," DTCI 18th Annual Conference & Meeting of the Membership, Abe Martin Lodge in Brown County State Park, November 16, 2012.
- "Panel Discussions on Lawyer Misconduct & Legal Malpractice, Indiana Lawyer, October 31, 2012.
- "Trial Tips & The Art of Legal Persuasion, Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, September 26, 2012 and October 4, 2012.
- "Navigating the Social Media Maze, Medmarc Annual Meeting of Defense Panel Counsel, Bolton Landing, NY, June 15, 2012.
- "Hot Topics in Accountant Liability - 2012, American Society of Women Accountants, May 22, 2012.
- "Ethics Within the World of Tax, Indiana Tax Practitioners Association, December 13, 2011.
- "CPA Ethics & Risk Management, Indiana Society of Accountants, Nashville, IN, 2010 - present.
- "Deposition Advocacy Skills College, Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, July 13-14, 2010, Faculty Member.
- "CPA Ethics & Risk Management, Indiana Society of Accountants, July 14, 2010.
- "Mid-Central Regional Basic Trial Skills Program, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, annually, 2007 - present, Faculty Member.
- "Mid-Central Deposition Program, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, annually, 2005 - present, Faculty Member.

Selected Cases and Representation

Published Appeals:

- Bierenman v. Foreman by Next Friend Foreman*, 19A-CT-2894, WL 3865988 (Ind. Ct. App. 2020).
- Baker v. Atlantic Richfield Company, E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company*, 962 F.3d 937 (Seventh Cir. Ct. App. 2020).
- Bardner v. Clendinning, Johnson & Bohrer, P.C.*, 144 N.E.3d 208 (Ind. Ct. of App. 2020).
- Hamdan v. Indiana University Health North Hospital, Inc.*, 880 F.3d 416 (Seventh Cir. Ct. App. 2018).
- Magee v. Welke*, 31 N.E.3d 1044 (Ind. Ct. App. 2015).
- Bankam Corp. v. Newland Resources, LLC*, 17 N.E.2d 979 (Ind. Ct. App. 2014).
- Jason T. Myers v. Charles R. Deets, et al.*, 968 N.E.2d 299 (Ind. Ct. App. May 29, 2012).
- Lady Dr's, Inc. v. Enhanced Services Billing, Inc.*, 654 F.3d 728 (Seventh Cir. Ct. App. August 16, 2011).
- Blinn v. the Law Firm of Johnson, Roeman, Bratch, Beal and White, LLP*, 948 N.E.2d 814 (Ind. Ct. App. April 29, 2011).
- Kovach v. Caligor Midwest*, 913 N.E.2d 193 (Ind. Supreme Ct. 2009).
- Kovach v. Alpha, Inc.*, 890 N.E. 2d 55 (Ind. Ct. App. 2008).
- Georgios v. Jackson*, 790 N.E.2d 448 (Ind. Supreme Ct. 2003).
- Inlow v. Henderson Daily Withrow & DeVoe*, 787 N.E.2d 385 (Ind. Ct. App. 2003).
- Elmer Buchta Trucking, Inc. v. Stanley*, 744 N.E.2d 939 (Ind. Supreme Ct. 2001).
- Minson v. Daneek Medical, Inc.*, 79 F.Supp.2d 970 (U.S. Dist. Ct. Northern Dist. 1999).
- Ross v. Cheema*, 716 N.E.2d 435 (Ind. Supreme Ct. 1999).
- Wells v. Stone City Bank*, 691 N.E.2d 1246 (Ind. Ct. App. 1998).
- A Woman's Choice v. Newman*, 673 N.E.2d 104 (Ind. Supreme Ct. 1996).

Trials:

- Samuel Lesjak v. Corby Bulp. Phd, HSSP* (Hancock Co. Cir. Ct. August 13, 2019).
- The Medical Protective Company of Fort Wayne Indiana v. American International Specialty Lines Insurance Company* (Northern Dist. Of Ind. January 28-31, 2020).
- Talal S. Hamdan v. Indiana University Health North, LLC and Clarian Health North Hospital, LLC* (d/b/a Clarian North Medical Center (Northern Dist. Of Ind. July 7-10, 2015).
- Federal Trade Commission v. Field Billing Services, LLC, et al.* (U.S. Dist. Ct. Western Dist. Of Texas November 4-15, 2013).
- Temp-Masters, Inc. v. Marsh Supermarkets, LLC, Judge Daniel Pfleging* (Hamilton Co. Sup. Ct. December 6-10, 2010).
- Neil Lucas v. Riley, Bennett & Egloff* (Southern Dist. Of Ind. Indianapolis Division March 8-10, 2010).
- Cathy Sitarz v. South Bend Knights, Inc. d/b/a Knights Inn* (St. Joseph Co. Cir. Ct. May 10-13, 2004).
- Hattie Shaw v. Payless Supermarkets, Inc.* (Madison Co. Sup. Ct. September 23-29, 2003).
- Tracie Bentley vs. Richard L. Wilken* (St. Joseph Co. Sup. Ct. March 17-19, 2003).
- Betty Jacques v. Allied Building Services, Inc. and Marsh Supermarkets, Inc.* (Putnam Co. Cir. Ct. November 14-16, 2000).
- Pamela K. McCracken v. Indiana American Water Company, Inc.* (Vigo Co. Sup. Ct. July 12-14, 1999).
- Tyler G. Williams v. Marsh Supermarkets, Inc.* (Blackford Co. Cir. Ct. April 20, 1999).
- Sami Maaila v. Kore Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a The Mine Shaft Saloon and Louis Huffman* (Marion Co. Sup. Ct. February 16-18, 1999).
- Berniece Wickersham v. Supervalu Holdings, Inc.*, d/b/a Cub Foods (Marion Co. Sup. Ct. January 25-27, 1999).
- Marlene Freeman v. Supervalu, Inc.*, d/b/a Cub Foods (Marion Co. Cir. Ct. April 20-21, 1998).
- Tammie L. Adkins v. Rebecca L. Houston* (Blackford Co. Cir. Ct. January 13-14, 1998).
- American States Insurance v. Joseph Loughmiller* (Marion Co. Municipal Ct. October 20, 1997).
- Julie Ann Armet v. Clancy's, Inc., d/b/a Grindstone Charlie's* (Bartolomew Sup. Ct. September 2-4, 1997).
- Willie B. Trammel v. Supervalu, Inc.*, d/b/a Cub Foods (Marion Co. Sup. Ct. April 21-22, 1997).
- Mary Gilley v. Supervalu, Inc.*, d/b/a Cub Foods (Marion Co. Cir. Ct. February 11-12, 1997).
- Catherine S. Townsend & William Townsend v. Gene A. Hamm & Supervalu Transportation, Inc.*, (Fayette Co. Cir. Ct. January 27-29, 1997).