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Inspired by a commitment to service, Matthew is a passionate problem solver. He leverages a wide range of complex professional liability experience to help achieve client goals.

Practice Areas

Business Transactions & Corporate Services
Premises Liability
Professional Liability

Biography

Since 2019, Matthew has been an integral part of Lewis Wagner's business services group. He maintains a dedicated focus in the areas of medical malpractice defense litigation, professional licensure and disciplinary litigation, and business litigation matters. Leveraging years of experience representing healthcare providers in several areas of medical malpractice defense, including suits involving wrongful death, class actions, and complex litigation, Matthew is insightful and committed to every client. Outside of the office, he enjoys spending time with family and raising his two dogs. He is also an avid poker player and enjoys delving into American and military history.

Education and Bar Admissions

- Ball State University, B.S., *cum laude*, 1990
 - English
- Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, J.D., 1993
- Supreme Court of Indiana, 1993
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana, 1993
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana, 1993

Accolades, Affiliations and Activities

- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana
- Indiana State Bar Association
- *Indiana Super Lawyers*, 2011-2021
- Indianapolis Bar Association
- *Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review* - Rated AV[®] Preeminent
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2021-2025
 - Indianapolis, Lawyer of the Year - Medical Malpractice Law Defendants, 2023

Publications and Presentations

- "Indiana Medical Malpractice: How it Works and How it is Changing," Indiana Department of Insurance, September 2015.
- "Medical Malpractice Cases From Intake to Verdict: What is Medical Malpractice," Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, May 2010.
- "Liquidated: Is the Glass Half Empty or Full? The Role of Outside Counsel in Defending Claims Under the Indiana Insurance Guaranty Association Law," *Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana*, March 2002.

Selected Cases and Representation

- *Anonymous Hospital, Inc. v. Doe*, 994 N.E.2d 760 (Ind. Ct. App. 2013)
- *Campbell v. Chambers*, 951 N.E.2d 855 (Ind. Ct. App. 2011)
- *Indiana Patient's Comp. Fund v. Brown*, 949 N.E.2d 822 (Ind. Ct. App. 2011)
- *Arlton v. Schraut*, 936 N.E.2d 831 (Ind. Ct. App. 2010)
- *Clarian Health Partners, Inc. v. Wagler*, 925 N.E.2d 388 (Ind. Ct. App. 2010)
- *Scott v. Retz*, 916 N.E.2d 252 (Ind. Ct. App. 2009)
- *Spaulding v. Harris*, 914 N.E.2d 820 (Ind. Ct. App. 2009)
- *Fairbanks Hospital v. Harold*, 895 N.E.2d 732 (Ind. Ct. App. 2008)
- *Baumgart v. DeFries*, 888 N.E.2d 199 (Ind. Ct. App. 2008)
- *Palmer v. Comprehensive Neurologic Servs., P.C.*, 864 N.E.2d 1093 (Ind. Ct. App. 2007)
- *Patient's Compensation Fund v. Hicklin*, 823 N.E.2d 705 (Ind. Ct. App. 2005)
- *McCarty v. Sanders*, 805 N.E.2d 894 (Ind. Ct. App. 2004)
- *McGill v. Ling*, 801 N.E.2d 678 (Ind. Ct. App. 2004)
- *Indiana Patient's Compensation Fund v. Wolfe*, 735 N.E.2d 1187 (Ind. Ct. App. 2000)
- *Ling v. Stillwell*, 732 N.E.2d 1270 (Ind. Ct. App. 2000)
- *Insurance Commissioner of Indiana v. Smith*, 714 N.E.2d 1285 (Ind. Ct. App. 1999)
- *Poehlman v. Feferman*, 706 N.E.2d 173 (Ind. 1999)
- *Pluard v. Indiana Patient's Compensation Fund*, 705 N.E.2d 1035 (Ind. Ct. App. 1999)
- *Smith v. Pancner*, 679 N.E.2d 893 (Ind. 1997)
- *Indiana Patient's Compensation Fund v. Anderson*, 661 N.E.2d 907 (Ind. Ct. App. 1996)