



## Wade D. Fulford

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A seasoned litigator who possesses a wide range of legal experience, Wade draws upon his knowledge and expertise to provide strategic solutions for clients. He leverages his experience working with governmental entities and corporate practice and large law firms—taking a client-focused perspective in solving complex legal problems.

### Practice Areas

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Professional Liability

### Biography

Wade provides clients with a diligent, dedicated partner in navigating litigation matters across diverse areas of law, including governmental defense, insurance defense and regulation, healthcare, medical malpractice, and regulatory compliance disputes. He is a partner in Lewis Wagner & Trimble's business services group and often utilizes his litigation and risk management skills to serve clients as a registered civil mediator.

Wade is a graduate of the Indiana University McKinney School of Law and the Kelley School of Business. He joined the firm in 2018 after serving as Deputy General Counsel and Director of the Indiana Patients Compensation Fund at the Indiana Department of Insurance, managing 1,300+ claims in excess of \$850 million in compensation.

Wade has been named among the *Best Lawyers in America* for the past two years and devotes his time to serving the community. He is a member of the Xavier University Parent Leadership Council and Boone County REMC Advisory Committee, as well as a frequent speaker at Riley Children's Hospital fundraising events, after his daughter had lifesaving surgery at Riley.

In his spare time, Wade enjoys participating in league sports, tennis, running and biking, ever since competing and being a coach in the Little 500 bike race at Indiana University.

### Accolades, Affiliations and Activities

- Boone County REMC Advisory Committee, 2018-2022
- Defense Research Institute
- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indiana University Kelley School of Business
  - Indiana University Social Responsibilities Committee – Director of Education
  - Indiana University Little 500 – Coach, Participant
- Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law
  - Law Review acceptance after first year Valparaiso University
  - Client Counseling Competition – Finalist, Board Member
- Indianapolis Bar Association – Doctor/Lawyer Collaborative Committee, 2022
- Indianapolis Parks Foundation – Board Member, 2004-2007
- Indianapolis Zoo
  - Zoobilation Restaurant Committee – Chair, 2002-2009
  - Zoobilation Exit Committee – Chair, 2010-2012
  - Zoobilation Judges and Barstock Committee, 2012-2018
- Riley Children's Hospital Fundraiser – Speaker, 2007-Present
- Sagamore Inn of Court – Member, 2018-2022
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2022-2025
- Xavier University Parent Leadership Council, 2021 - 2022
- Zionsville Economic Development Commission, 2014-2018

### Publications and Presentations

- "Tips for Productive Virtual Mediations," *The Indiana Lawyer*, April 29, 2020.
- "Reflections on ICLEF training from a newly minted mediator," *The Indiana Lawyer*, October 3, 2018.
- "You've Been Sued, Now What: A Step-by-Step Guide on Medical Malpractice," *IndyBar*, November 2022.
- "Planning Your First Injury Case," ICLEF, August 2017.
- "Advanced Civil Mediation Seminar – The Best In The Business," ITLA, April 2017.
- "Legislative Update and Emerging Trends in Healthcare Litigation," DTCL Seminar, November 2016.
- "Indiana Medical Malpractice: How It Works & How It Is Changing," Indiana Department of Insurance Seminar, September 2015.

### Selected Cases and Representation

- *Community Health Network, Inc. v. McKensie*, 185 N.E.3d 368 (Ind. 2022)
- *Cutchin v. Beard*, 171 N.E.3d 991 (Ind. 2021)
- *F. v. St. Catherine Hospital, Inc.* 124 N.E.3d 76 (Ind. Ct. App. 2019)
- *Charles McKeen, M.D. v. Turner* (Ind. 2017)
- *SCI Propane, LLC v. Frederick* (Ind. 2015)
- *Common Wealth Land Title Insurance Company v. Robertson* (Ind. Ct. App. 2014)
- *Robertson v. Ticor Title Insurance Company of Florida* (Ind. Ct. App. 2012)

### Education and Bar Admissions

- Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, B.S., 1991
- Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, J.D., 1996
- Supreme Court of Indiana, 1996
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin