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EDUCATION: William Mitchell College of Law, St. Paul, MN.
Juris Doctor, June 1996.
William Mitchell Law Review (1994-1995)

Hamline University, St. Paul, MN.
Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, with distinction in Psychology, May 1993; Phi Beta Kappa. Major: Psychology Minor: Philosophy

30- Hour Mediation Training, Hamline University (2010)

Certified Civil Arbitration Training (2016)

EXPERIENCE: Principal Attorney/Owner, Yira Law Office Ltd., Hutchinson, MN. July 2006 - present.

- MSBA Board Certified Civil Trial Specialist (70+ cases tried to verdict throughout the United States)
- Litigation practice in the areas of personal injury, wrongful death, no-fault, dram shop, medical malpractice, products liability, premises liability, general civil litigation
- General practice: estate planning, probate, business law, contracts, real estate, family law, criminal defense
- Appellate practice (State and Federal Courts)
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR): mediations and arbitrations (Rule 114 Qualified ADR Neutral)
- Local counsel (with Watts Guerra, LLP, Bassford Remele, and Daniel M. Homolka, P.A.), in the agricultural mass tort *In re: Syngenta Litigation*, Court File No. 27-CV-15-3785

- Rule 114 Qualified ADR Neutral
- One of a handful of No-Fault Panel Arbitrators to travel Statewide to hear and decide No-Fault Automobile Insurance disputes as part of the No-Fault Tribunal

Attorney, Bradford - Yira, Attys. at Law, Hutchinson, MN, February 2003-July 2006. General litigation practice.

Attorney, Lommen, Nelson, Cole & Stageberg, P.A., Minneapolis, MN. July 1999 - February 2003. General litigation practice

Attorney, Eckman, Strandness & Egan, P.A., Wayzata, MN. October 1996 - July 1999. General litigation and appellate practice.

Law Clerk, Eckman, Strandness & Egan, P.A., Wayzata, MN. October 1995 to October 1996; Soucie, Buchman, Grover & Bolt, Ltd., Anoka, MN. January 1995 to October 1995.

Research Assistant, for Professor Michael K. Steenson, William Mitchell College of Law, St. Paul, MN. May 1994 to October 1995.

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE:

- State of Minnesota, 1996
- State of Wisconsin, 2002
- Tribal Court, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, 2008
- United States District Court, D. Minn., 1996
- United States District Court, W.D. Wis., 2006
- United States District Court, S.D. Tex. 2010
- United States Court of Appeals, 8th Cir., 1997
- Supreme Court of the United States of America, 1999

JUDICIAL OFFICER: Part-time Conciliation Court Judge/Referee, First Judicial District (Dakota County; Le Sueur County)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS:

- Member, Minnesota Supreme Court No-Fault Arbitration Standing Committee

- Member, Minnesota Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure
- Member, Minnesota Supreme Court No-Fault Panel of Arbitrators
- Board of Governors, Minnesota Association for Justice
- Board of Governors, Academy of Certified Trial Lawyers of Minnesota
- Member, Minnesota State Bar Association
- Member, State Bar of Wisconsin
- Member, 8th District Bar Association
- Member, McLeod County Bar Association
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America

Featured as a “Rising Star” in Litigation, and “Super Lawyer” in Minnesota Law and Politics and Super Lawyers magazines.

Listed in the Best Lawyers in America Consumer Guide.

PUBLICATIONS: Dependency and No-Fault Survivors’ Economic Loss Benefits After *Auto Owners Ins. Co. v. Perry*: A Call for Legislative Action (published in *William Mitchell Journal of Law & Practice* and reprinted in *Minnesota Trial*, Fall 2009).

Developments in Subrogation Law: Understanding *Wos v. E.M.A and U.S. Airways, Inc. v. McCutchen* (published in *Minnesota Trial*, Fall 2013).

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE:**

Adjunct Professor of Law, William Mitchell College of Law (2006-2015) (WRAP (Legal Research and Writing); Torts)

Adjunct Professor of Law, Mitchell | Hamline School of Law (2015 to present) (Torts; Evidence; Constitutional Law; Bar Review Strategies)

PRESENTATIONS:

3/24/2005 “The Truth About Adverse Medical Examiners”, Minnesota Association for Justice

11/4/2005 “Subrogation and Protecting Social Security and Medical Assistance Benefits After a Settlement”, Minnesota Association for Justice

9/21/2007 “Subrogation” (ERISA), Minnesota Association for Justice

4/11/2008 “Trying the Premises Liability Case”, Minnesota Association for Justice

9/19/2008 “Subrogation” (ERISA), Minnesota Association for Justice

9/18/2009 “Premises Liability and Dog-Bite Cases”, Minnesota Association for Justice

3/29/2012 “Examining the Adverse Medical Examiner”, Minnesota Association for Justice

5/4/2012 “ERISA Subrogation”, Academy of Certified Trial Lawyers of Minnesota

9/20/2012 “Subrogation: *Brewster, Renswick*, ERISA, and More”, Minnesota Association of Justice

10/21/2013 “The 800 lb. Gorilla in the Room: Minimizing Subrogation Claims”, Minnesota Association of Justice

12/25/2013 “Justice in 2013 – Top Trial Court Outcomes”, Minnesota Association for Justice

10/10/2014 “Minimizing Subrogation Claims”, Minnesota Association for Justice

9/15/2015 “What Can Be Done – Minimizing Subrogation and Lien Claims”, Minnesota Association for Justice

12/7/2015 “Dealing with ERISA Subrogation”, Minnesota Association for Justice

10/31/2016 “ERISA Subrogation”, Minnesota Association for Justice

**COMMUNITY
ACTIVITIES:**

Former Planning Commissioner, City of Waconia, MN (2002-2004)

Board of Directors, Prince of Peace Retirement Living (2015-present)

Member, Church Council, Christ-the-King Lutheran Church (2012-2014)

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Board of Directors, Hutchinson Youth Basketball Association
(2005 -2014)

Board of Directors, Hutchinson Junior League Baseball Association
(2012-2014)

Youth Baseball Coach (1997-2010) (pre-K to high school)

Youth Basketball Coach (2000-2014) (pre-K to 8th grade)

Youth Football Coach (2000-2012) (K-6th grade)

Youth Soccer Coach (1997-2006) (K-6th grade)

Guest speaker – Hutchinson School District Special Education Advisory
Council - (Special Needs and Supplemental Needs Trusts, Guardianships,
Conservatorships)

Guest speaker – Constitution Day – Park Elementary School, Hutchinson,
MN