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PRACTICE GROUPS

Commercial Litigation
Products Liability
Professional Liability/
Claim Prevention
Trust and Estate Litigation

INDUSTRY GROUPS

Agribusiness
Construction
Credit and Collection
Financial Services
Health Care

OVERVIEW

Tal Bakke is a trial attorney who focuses his practice in the areas of professional liability and commercial litigation. Tal takes pride in being an advocate for his clients and helping navigate the stress of litigation.

As a trial attorney, Tal has experience representing clients in all stages of litigation, from pre-suit advice and counsel through trial and appeals, involving commercial and business disputes and professional liability claims made against health care entities, attorneys, and other professionals. Tal has successfully obtained dismissal of claims on behalf of his clients in state and federal court and received favorable verdicts for his clients at trial.

Tal graduated from Mitchell Hamline School of Law and served on the executive board of the Mitchell Hamline Law Review as managing editor for *Law Review*.

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

Mitchell Hamline School of Law, J.D.

- *Law Review*, Managing Editor, Associate Editor

- Dean's List

- Certificate: Advanced International Business Negotiations

University of Sioux Falls, B.A.

- Dean's List

Bar Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Iowa
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin
- Minnesota
- Iowa

EXPERIENCE

Representative Cases

- Obtained a defense verdict in a professional malpractice claim against a health care professional.
- Obtained a defense verdict in a products liability claim.
- Obtained voluntary dismissal of attorney meaningful involvement claim and summary judgment in favor of collection law firm on consumer FDCPA claim that law firm failed to verify the debt before executing on judgment.
- Obtained dismissal of professional liability claims against attorney on the grounds the plaintiffs lacked standing to assert the claims.
- Obtained summary judgment dismissal of negligence claims made by plaintiffs alleging their neighbors altered the drainage of their property causing water to flow into plaintiffs' basement.
- Obtained summary judgment dismissal of negligence claims made by plaintiff who was injured while trespassing on an open residential construction site.

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EXPERIENCE

- Obtained summary judgment dismissal of § 1983 claims on behalf of government clients.
- Obtained summary judgment dismissal of land use challenges on behalf of government clients.

Publications

- *Proceed with Caution: Data Collection and Connected Cars*, author, American Recovery Association, June 2021
- *Covering Your Contractual Bases: Potentially Problematic “Boilerplate” Provisions*, author, American Recovery Association, 2021
- *New Sheriff in Town? CFPB Areas of Focus with Change of Administration*, author, American Recovery Association, Apr. 2021
- *The Cobb Notice: Beware “Reasonable Reliance” Issues in Secured Financing Agreements*, author, American Recovery Association, Apr. 2021
- *Of Gods and Government: The substantial burden provisions of RLUIPA*, author, Minnesota Defense, Spring 2017

Seminars

Mr. Bakke was a guest speaker on the podcast Repo America:

- *Can Body Cameras Save Your Bacon?*, June 4, 2021
- *The Poison Pen: Repo Agents Signing Bad Contracts*, April 20, 2021
- *Ethical Considerations for the Use of AI by the Long-Term Care Litigator*, co-presenter, Defense Research Institute 2024 Senior Living and Long-Term Care Litigation Seminar, September 20, 2024
- *The Privacy Police Are Watching*, presenter, American Recovery Association, November 9, 2022
- *Wrongful Repossession Litigation in the Great Lakes States: Compliance and Defenses*, presenter, Harding Brooks Insurance, May 19, 2022
- *Data Privacy Issues & Your Business*, presenter, American Recovery Association, June 9, 2021
- *Litigation Perspectives*, presenter, American Recovery Association, April 7, 2021

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC

Bar Associations

- Minnesota State Bar Association
 - Health Law Section
- Iowa State Bar Association
- Hennepin County Bar Association

Professional Associations

- DRI
 - Senior Living Seminar, Marketing Committee, Vice Chair, 2023
 - Young Lawyers Section, Publications Steering Committee, Vice Chair, 2022
- American Recovery Association
- Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association

ACCOLADES

Honors & Awards

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2025-2026; Medical Malpractice Law, Personal Injury Litigation, Product Liability Litigation, and Professional Malpractice Law, 2026 ed.
- Minnesota Rising Stars list, *Super Lawyers*, 2023-present