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The Firm

Wolf Law, Ltd. is a full service civil litigation firm. The firm's clients consist primarily of self-insured corporations, insurance companies and third-party administrators and their clients. The firm also provides services to a number of individual clients.

All of the firm's attorneys are licensed in the State of Illinois. Additionally, several of the firm's attorneys are admitted to practice before various Federal District Courts.

The firm has litigated thousands of civil cases in numerous venues involving a wide range of legal issues. Also, the firm has litigated Workers' Compensation cases at venues across Illinois.

The firm's attorneys have also litigated appeals before The United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the First, Second, Third and Fourth Districts of the Illinois Appellate Court. The firm has also litigated appeals in various appellate districts before the Workers' Compensation Division.

The firm's attorneys pride themselves on being highly accessible to clients and make every effort to return phone calls and e-mails as soon as possible. Also, the firm's attorneys focus on keeping legal bills as low as possible while at the same time providing high quality and aggressive legal representation.

The firm's attorneys have tried jury trials to verdict in the following venues:

- The Federal Dist. Court for the Northern Dist. of Illinois
- Chicago (Cook County, Illinois)
- Markham (Cook County, Illinois)
- Wheaton (DuPage County, Illinois)
- Pekin (Tazewell County, Illinois)
- Yorkville (Kendall County, Illinois)
- Dixon (Lee County, Illinois)
- Springfield (Sangamon County, Illinois)
- Decatur (Macon County, Illinois)
- Ottawa (LaSalle County, Illinois)
- Hammond (Lake County, Indiana)

Our commitment to our clients:

01. We will never perform unnecessary work.

02. We will always endeavor to balance our professional judgment with economic considerations when determining what legal work should be done.

03. We will work as diligently and zealously as possible while maintaining the quality of our work in order to minimize the time required to perform a given task.

04. We will earnestly endeavor to limit the costs associated with any legal work as much as possible.

05. We will not use standard or minimum billing entries with the exception of our disclosed units of incremental billing (tenths of an hour).

06. We will not bill our clients for general overhead expenses such as routine photocopying, telephone (including long distance), telefax and general clerical work.

07. Our clients always receive the benefit of any economies of scale such as multiple simultaneous court appearances by a single attorney (total time spent is prorated over all cases handled).

08. We will not re-bill for work previously performed on another file when that same work product is utilized (motions, research, etc.) other than the time necessary to modify or update the work.

09. We will always be available to discuss any questions a client has about a bill and will never make a client feel uncomfortable about making such inquiries.

10. We will otherwise respond to the trust that has been placed in us by maintaining the highest possible level of integrity in our billing practices and legal work.

Our representative clients include:

- American Interstate (Amerisafe) Insurance Co.
- Artex
- Badger Mutual Insurance Co.
- BITCO
- Broadspire
- Cinemark
- Specialized Staffing Solutions, Inc.
- Darling International
- Effective Claims Management
- Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc.
- Hortica (Florists Mutual Insurance Co.)
- Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc.
- National American Insurance Co.
- Peoplelink Staffing Solutions, Inc.
- PeopLease
- SECURA
- Sedawick Claims Management

Practice Areas

Wolf Law, Ltd. serves its clients' needs in:

- Construction Defense (Personal Injury and Construction Defects)
- Transportation Liability (Automotive and Trucking)
- Workers' Compensation Defense
- Commercial Litigation
- Miscellaneous Negligence
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- UM & UIM Arbitration/Litigation
- Fraud Litigation
- Insurance Coverage
- Civil Appeals
- Breach of Contract
- Unjust Enrichment
- Consumer Fraud
- UCC Litigation
- Insurance Subrogation
- Nursing Home Liability
- Maritime Law

Attorney Profiles

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Attorney Profile / Principal

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Mr. Wolf has more than twenty-five years of experience as a civil trial attorney. He is licensed in all courts in the State of Illinois and Wisconsin, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and The United States Supreme Court. He is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, and the Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel. He previously served as the Secretary, Vice Chair and Chair of the Tort Litigation Committee of the Chicago Bar Association. He completed his undergraduate education at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. His legal education was completed at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago.

Mr. Wolf has tried more than forty jury trials to verdict, many of which involved damages in excess of \$1 million. He has tried jury trials to verdict in the following venues:

- The Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- Chicago (Cook County, Illinois)
- Markham (Cook County, Illinois)
- Wheaton (DuPage County, Illinois)
- Yorkville (Kendall County, Illinois)
- Dixon (Lee County, Illinois)
- Pekin (Tazewell County, Illinois)
- Springfield (Sangamon County, Illinois)
- Decatur (Macon County, Illinois)
- Ottawa (LaSalle County, Illinois)
- Hammond (Lake County, Indiana)

Mr. Wolf has tried jury trials to verdict involving the following causes of action:

- Construction Negligence
- Wrongful Death/Survival Act
- Illinois Structural Work Act
- Construction Defects
- Transportation/Trucking Negligence
- Automobile Negligence
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- Medical Malpractice

- Social Worker Malpractice
- Veterinary Malpractice
- Municipal Liability
- Property Damage
- Contribution
- Fraud
- Unjust Enrichment
- Breach of Contract
- Subrogation

Also, Mr. Wolf has represented clients in the First, Third and Fourth Districts of the Illinois Appellate Court (including the Workers' Compensation Division) and The United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

In addition, Mr. Wolf has litigated and tried hundreds of Workers' Compensation cases at numerous venues throughout Illinois. Mr. Wolf has presented numerous seminars to insurance companies and other clients on subjects related to Illinois tort law and the defense of workers' compensation claims. A significant part of his practice is devoted to defending cases arising out of construction activities.

Mr. Wolf has also been selected to act as Arbitrator in numerous uninsured and underinsured automobile cases. In addition, Mr. Wolf has been sought out and retained by other attorneys to act as trial counsel in complex tort cases.

Attorney Profile / Senior Associate

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Ms. Bentley has more than ten years experience in civil litigation. She has significant experience working on large multi-party lawsuits with multi-million dollar exposure. She actively litigates cases throughout Illinois.

She is licensed to practice law in Illinois and in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. She is a member of the Chicago Bar Association and the American Bar Association. She earned her undergraduate degree at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, in 1999. She earned her J.D. degree from DePaul University College of Law in 2003.

A significant part of Ms. Bentley's practice is defending workers' compensation claims. She has litigated and tried numerous workers' compensation cases throughout Illinois on numerous issues. She has also presented seminars to insurance companies on the defense of workers' compensation claims.

In addition, Ms. Bentley has defended civil cases involving automobile negligence, construction negligence, product liability, premises liability, consumer fraud, property damage, breach of contract, insurance subrogation, and minors' claims.

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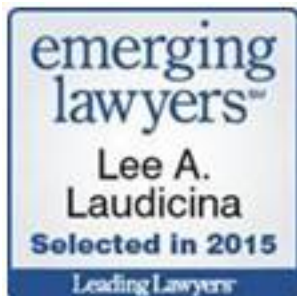
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Mr. Laudicina concentrates his practice in general insurance defense and workers' compensation defense. He has represented diverse clients in a wide range of actions including construction litigation, premises liability, workers' compensation, insurance coverage, wrongful death, subrogation, automobile negligence, commercial litigation and products liability. He has also handed multiple appeals and argued before the Illinois Appellate Court.

In 2015, Mr. Laudicina was recognized by Law Bulletin's Leading Lawyers as an "Emerging Lawyer" for both General Personal Injury Defense Law and Workers' Compensation Defense Law -- a distinction given to less than 2% of all licensed attorneys in Illinois. He has handed all aspects of cases from inception to trial and defended numerous multi-million dollar cases.

Mr. Laudicina is admitted to practice law in Illinois, the Northern District of Illinois and in the District of Columbia. He graduated cum laude from Loyola University Chicago School of Law in 2008. He received a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Michigan in 2005. Accomplishments in law school include an Advocacy Certificate, Chicago Bar Association Moot Court Team, International Law Review, Legal Writing Tutor and three CALI Awards.

Previous public sector experience includes working for a Magistrate Judge in the Northern District of Illinois, the Illinois Department of Public Health and Vice President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.



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Mr. Sarther concentrates his practice on civil litigation. Mr. Sarther is admitted to the State Bar of Illinois and United States Court for the Northern District of Illinois. His areas of expertise include workers' compensation defense, commercial insurance defense, casualty insurance defense, commercial litigation and insurance coverage.

Mr. Sarther graduated from DePaul University College of Law in 2010 after receiving his BA in Social Sciences from Michigan State University in 2006. While in law school, he was an editor for the Journal of Sports Law and Contemporary Problems.

Mr. Sarther represents clients in a wide variety of civil cases and workers' compensation claims throughout Illinois. He has tried multiple workers' compensation claims and argued before the Appellate Court of Illinois - Workers' Compensation Division for Wolf Law, Ltd. Mr. Sarther has previous public sector experience working in the Chicago Park District's Law Department, where he tried a jury case to verdict. He also worked for the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in the Felony Trial Division and Public Corruption and Financial Crimes Division, where he had the opportunity to try multiple bench trials and jury trials with an Illinois Supreme Court Rule 711 License.

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Ms. Mehkeri concentrates her practice in general insurance defense and workers' compensation defense. She represents clients in cases involving premises liability, construction negligence, commercial litigation, automobile negligence, and products liability. She has also worked on cases involving medical malpractice and breach of contract.

Ms. Mehkeri is licensed to practice law in Illinois. She received her J.D. from Loyola University Chicago School of Law in 2015 and received her B.A. from the University of Central Florida in 2012. While in law school, Ms. Mehkeri was a staff writer for the Public Interest Law Reporter and represented minors as a GAL/child representative at the Civitas ChildLaw Clinic.

Previous public sector experience includes internships at the Illinois Attorney General's Office, Cook County Government, and the City of Chicago – Torts Division. Utilizing her Illinois Supreme Court 711 License, Ms. Mehkeri defended the City of Chicago in administrative hearings on appeal, and she defended the City and its employees in cases that alleged both negligence and willful and wanton conduct.

Ms. Mehkeri is a member of the Chicago Bar Association and the Women's Bar Association of Illinois.