

Mindy M. Medley Biography

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Mindy is a practical, results-oriented, and efficient first-party property coverage counselor and litigator. Mindy has a national coverage and litigation practice, and regularly advises single insurers and markets on complex insurance coverage matters in jurisdictions throughout the United States.

With a deep understanding of the insurance industry, Mindy appreciates the importance of a close analysis of the insurance coverage that is provided under first-party property insurance policies. She has handled coverage issues under commercial, builders risk, inland marine, cyber, condominium, and homeowners policies. Mindy has also assisted underwriters in the drafting of policy language, most recently in the development of cyber-risk coverage. Importantly, Mindy appreciates that not all coverage matters should be litigated, and, often does her best work outside of court, offering sensible advice that leads a claim to an appropriate resolution.

She also represents defendants, typically the insurer's policyholder, against plaintiffs that have alleged professional negligence, premises liability, breach of contract, and breach of warranty. These clients have included insurance brokers, architects, banks, property managers, and products manufacturers.

Specific to her litigation practice, Mindy is responsible for all stages of litigation, often as lead counsel. Mindy's affable, but aggressive and strategic, nature has served her clients well in front of judges, juries, mediators, arbitrators, and opposing counsel in jurisdictions throughout the United States.

An important part of Mindy's practice is the time she devotes to writing and speaking to the insurance industry. Mindy regularly shares her time and experience at conferences and with insurers on the day-to-day handling, analysis, and litigation of insurance claims.

Mindy is a two-time graduate of Washington University in St. Louis (J.D. '01 and B.A. '98), and also studied abroad at the University of Oxford, New College, Oxford, England. She is an active Wash. U. alum in the Chicagoland area, serving on Chicago's Regional Cabinet.

Mindy has been licensed to practice in the State of Illinois since November, 2001, and is admitted in the United States District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois, the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and the Eastern District of Michigan.