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Ashton T. Kirsch is an insurance litigation attorney and shareholder with the law firm of Matthiesen, Wickert & Lehrer, S.C. Ashton's practice focuses on litigation of subrogation cases involving large loss casualty, commercial auto, transportation and cargo, and workers' compensation. He has built and grown the MWL commercial auto and cargo/transportation group into the thriving sector of our firm's subrogation practice.

Ashton is an expert in the handling of complex interstate transportation claims. He knows the ins, outs, and in-betweens of the labyrinth of federal regulations that can impact a commercial auto or cargo loss. In fact, he has been retained by other attorneys around the nation to serve as an expert and consult/train on both the MCS-90 Endorsement and Carmack Amendment. He also boasts another, unique expertise—high-level negotiation tactics and skills which maximize the likelihood of high dollar recoveries. He travels the country providing seminars and training sessions to attorneys and adjusters on the best negotiation tactics and litigation practices. With over 95% of claims settling prior to litigation and 99% of litigated cases settling prior to trial, negotiation skills are at the pinnacle of importance to a successful subrogation attorney. Ashton is currently writing a book on subrogation negotiations practices, which will be published within the next year.



Since 2018, every year he has been named a Wisconsin Rising Star by SuperLawyers Magazine, an award given only to the top 2.5% of lawyers in the State. In December 2022, Claims Litigation Management (CLM) recognized Ashton as one of their [Phenoms Under 40](#), an award for selected individuals under the age of 39 who are making a significant impact at their companies or firms, or on the claims industry as a whole.

Areas of Practice: National Subrogation; Transportation and Cargo; Inland and Ocean Marine; Commercial Automobile; Large Loss Casualty; Workers' Comp Subrogation; Workers' Comp Defense; Product Liability; Group Health & Disability; ERISA Subrogation; Civil Trial Law; Personal Injury Trial Law.

Bar Admissions:

Wisconsin, 2014
U.S. District Court Western District of Wisconsin
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Education:

University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, Wisconsin, J.D., 2014
University of Wisconsin – Madison, Madison, Wisconsin, B.A., 2011

- *Major:* Political Science and History (Southeast Asia)
- *Honors:* Tau Kappa Epsilon Presidential Award of Excellence

Professional Associations and Memberships: National Association of Subrogation Professionals (NASP), 2016-Present; National Association of Subrogation Professionals (NASP), Legislative Affairs Committee; Claims Litigation Management (CLM), Member, 2015-Present; Claims Litigation Management (CLM), Publication/Magazine Sub-Committee, Co-Chair – 2019-Present; Claims Litigation Management (CLM), Webinar Sub-Committee, Co-Chair – 2020-Present; Inland and Marine Underwriters Association (IMUA), Associate Member; Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association, Executive Committee; Milwaukee Bar Association