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Insurance Coverage
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 ADR: Commercial Litigation, International Arbitration



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Current Scope of Practice

James D. Wangelin concentrates his practice on insurance and reinsurance coverage litigation, as well as on international arbitration and claims management. Mr. Wangelin represents reinsurers and carriers in the U.S., Bermuda and Europe. He also handles professional liability matters, particularly in the healthcare and legal fields, and general commercial litigation. Mr. Wangelin has tried dozens of trials and arbitrations in numerous jurisdictions.

Affiliations, Activities and Accomplishments

Mr. Wangelin is admitted in Illinois and before the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (Trial Bar since 1982) and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. He is a director of the Chicago International Dispute Resolution Association, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb), and a member of ARIAS, the American and Illinois State Bar Associations and the Defense Research Institute.

He was selected as a 2006 Illinois Super Lawyer and had previously been named by his Illinois peers as a Leading Lawyer in the fields of ADR and Insurance/Reinsurance. Mr. Wangelin is also a member of the Leading Lawyers Network's Advisory Board, which is composed of those Leading Lawyers who receive the highest number of votes for their areas of law and/or their region in Illinois.

Mr. Wangelin was chairman, Lawyer Services Committee – Young Lawyers Section (1977-1982), director (1979-1981), Chicago Bar Association – Young Lawyer's Section (1979-1981) and a recipient of the association's David C. Hilliard Award. He also served on the Governor's Advisory Board for Credit Unions (1980-1981).

Presentations and Publications

Mr. Wangelin has given numerous presentations on arbitration, insurance and reinsurance issues. He most recently published "Buttressing the Pillars of Arbitration," *Mealey's Reinsurance*, Vol. 14, # 19 (Feb. 5, 2004),

and “Effective Selection of Arbitrators in International Arbitration,” *Mealey’s International Arbitration Report*, Vol. 14, #11 (Nov. 1999).

Education

Mr. Wangelin received his A.B. (1969), with distinction, in economics from the University of Michigan and his J.D. (1974) from the University of Michigan Law School.