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Michael Zidek has conducted a diverse civil defense practice throughout his career, with a focus on medical malpractice, lawyer and other professional liability, and general liability litigation. Michael strives for an early and economical resolution through settlement or motion whenever possible, but also has the skills and experience to take a case to trial if needed to meet client objectives.

In the medical malpractice area, Michael regularly defends long-term acute care facilities in claims primarily arising from respiratory issues, the development of decubitus ulcers, or the worsening of a patient's medical overall condition. He also has represented and tried cases on behalf of surgeons, obstetricians, radiologists and other physicians involving a variety of medical malpractice claims. Michael and his colleagues frequently mentor and coach younger associates on the medical malpractice team regarding case handling strategies and lessons learned.

Michael has a strong background in the professional liability field as well, defending numerous attorneys in claims involving a range of underlying issues from patent law to divorce law. His experience also includes the representation of real estate title agents, architects and other construction professionals. In addition, Michael has handled construction accident litigation, general and trucking liability cases, and admiralty/maritime law matters.

Education

- Creighton University School of Law (J.D., 1987)
- John Carroll University (B.S., 1983)

Bar Admissions

Services

- Long-Term Care
- Medical Malpractice & Health Care
- National Trial Team
- Professional Liability & Services

- Illinois, 1987

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois

Professional Affiliations

- DuPage County Bar Association
- Society of Trial Lawyers
- Defense Research Institute (DRI)

Awards & Honors

- AV® Preeminent™ Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Rated by Martindale-Hubbell as a Chicago Top Rated Lawyer, 2012