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SERVICE AREAS

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Catherine Breitweiser-Hurst focuses her practice in product liability, transportation law, and general negligence. She recently helped secure partial summary judgment in a transportation case, halting the plaintiff's attempt to expand the potential liability of her client. In addition, Catherine routinely defends several national retailers and hospitality companies in premises liability disputes. Some of her recent experience includes:

- Concluding a bench trial for a hospitality client where Catherine got the case dismissed by arguing the plaintiff presented insufficient evidence to meet the burden of proof.
- Obtaining summary judgment in favor of her clients in a municipal liability dispute involving three police officers, their department and municipality.
- Securing a favorable outcome in a jury trial for the client in a premises liability case involving a casino in Lake County, Indiana.
- Representing insurance companies and their insured parties in disputes involving serious personal injury.

Catherine is a U.S. Navy veteran, who pursued her education following her enlistment. After receiving her J.D. from Valparaiso University, Catherine spent more than 10 years as a deputy prosecuting attorney in Indiana, where she successfully litigated several major felony jury trials.

Catherine is a member of the Lake County Indiana Bar Association and is active with the Transportation section of ALFA International. She is also a member of the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana.

ADMISSIONS & EDUCATION

ADMISSIONS

Indiana Supreme Court

Ohio Supreme Court

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

EDUCATION

Valparaiso University School of Law

Calumet College of St. Joseph

AFFILIATIONS

Member, Lake County Indiana Bar Association

Member, ALFA International Transportation Group

HONORS

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America - 2024

Lake County Prosecutor's "Hammerin Hank Award" for the successful prosecution of a Life Without Parole murder trial

CLIENT RESULTS

[Breitweiser-Hurst Secures Summary Judgment for Clients in False Arrest, Defamation Dispute](#)

[Plaintiff Claims \\$2.25M in Damages for Auto Rear-Enders "Not Too Much." Jury Disagrees, Awards \\$11,000](#)

[Breitweiser-Hurst Secures Summary Judgment for Casino Client](#)

[Plaintiff Rolls Dice on Personal Injury Dispute: Comes Up Snake Eyes on Verdict](#)

[Wrongful Death Trucking Case Resolved Successfully](#)

[Indiana Ruling Bars Plaintiff Damages Expert from Testifying in Trucking Case](#)

[Plaintiff's Attempt to Expand Defendant's Liability Foiled by Partial Summary Judgment](#)