







Jordan Lowe is a partner provides litigation and pre-litigation counsel to insurance carriers and reinsurers on complex coverage issues, including coverage litigation, commercial litigation and reinsurance. Jordan serves on the firm's PFAS team and has developed an expertise in advising insurance clients on the management and evaluation of this emerging risk. In addition to litigating the nation's first wave of coverage disputes involving "forever chemicals," Jordan advises insurance and reinsurance clients on underwriting issues relative to PFAS.

Jordan has also represented insurance and reinsurance clients in coverage disputes involving mass shootings, concussion-related injury class actions, multi-district litigation, civil rights claims, long-tail environmental and health hazard claims, construction defect matters, negligent security claims and public entity insurance disputes. Jordan also defends first-party and third-party insurers against bad faith claims. His practice spans well beyond Illinois, having appeared in courts and tribunals in over 20 states.

Since 2020, Jordan has been selected annually to the Illinois Rising Stars list, a peer review designation recognizing no more than 2.5 percent of Illinois lawyers under the age of 40.

### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Woosley v. State Auto Prop. & Cas. Ins. Co., 2021 WL 2172947 (Ky. Ct. App. May 28, 2021), review denied (Mar. 16, 2022): Obtained summary judgment ruling and successfully defended the same at all three levels of the Kentucky judiciary holding that insurer owed no coverage and did not act in bad faith in denying coverage for a wrongful death claim under the terms of the insurer's liability policy.

Michigan Millers Mut. Ins. Co. v. Westport Insurance Corporation (f/k/a Employers Reins.), No. 1:14-cv-00151 (W.D. Mich.) Successfully represented reinsurer in a dispute against its cedent regarding the allocation between multiple reinsurance treaties of \$14 million in loss and claim expense that the cedent incurred in connection with five underlying lawsuits, including bad faith claims for failure-to-settle. Issues involved examination of bad faith liability as between umbrella and primary claims handling, as well as protection of reinsurer communications within its in-house legal department.

Walker v. North American Specialty Ins. Co., et al., No. 1:14-cv-69-WLS (M.D. Ga.) Obtained summary judgment ruling that excess insurer did not owe UIM coverage and did not act in bad faith in denying \$5 million UIM claim on the grounds that the plaintiff's settlement with the underlying primary insurer did not properly exhaust the limits underlying the excess carrier's coverage.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

PFAS: Liability and Coverage for Forever Chemicals (Webinar, April 2023)

Safeguarding Against the Unpredictable: Negligent Security and Active Shooter Claims (CLM Southeast Conference, October 2019)

Concussion Claims: Coming to a Head (Chicago, March 2015)

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#### **Practice Areas**

- Commercial General Liability
- General Commercial Litigation
- Reinsurance

# **Education**

- Northwestern University, J.D. 2013
- University of Pittsburgh, B.A. History and Political Science 2007

# **Memberships**

- Claims & Litigation Management
  Alliance
- Defense Research Institute

#### **Admissions**

- Illinois
- Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan
- Admitted pro hac vice in numerous other jurisdictions

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Africa Emerging Risks Industry Seminar, PFAS; Munich Re Johannesburg (September 2024)

"PFAS: Liability and Coverage for the Forever Chemicals," White Paper (May 11, 2022)

"Choice-of-Law Issues Regarding Coverage," in Insurance Law (Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, 2020)

"CTE Before the Grave: A Game Changer for Concussion Litigation," in CLM Magazine (April 2018)

Transportation of Shale Oil and Gas Resources in Environmental and Health Issues in Unconventional Oil and Gas Development, (Debra Kaden & Tracie Rose eds., 2016) (coauthor)

"Choice-of-Law Issues Regarding Coverage," in Insurance Law (Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, 2015)