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PRACTICE AREAS

Insurance Recovery &
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Environmental Insurance
Analysis & Recovery

ERISA, Life, Health & Disability
Litigation

Organizational Misconduct

Civil Rights Insurance Recovery

INDUSTRIES

Agribusiness & Food

COURT MEMBERSHIPS

- Kansas
- Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the Western
District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern
District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the District
of Kansas

Robyn Anderson has represented policyholders in their insurance coverage claims and disputes for more than 20 years. At the forefront of her practice is environmental insurance coverage litigation, wherein she has helped clients across numerous industries recover millions from insurers under their historical general liability policies. An author of *Environmental Insurance for New Appleman on Insurance Law*, Robyn is recognized as a leading insurance lawyer by numerous organizations including Benchmark Litigation and Missouri/Kansas *Super Lawyers*. Robyn's policyholder work over the decades has also extended to insurance claims for toxic tort or asbestos liability, organization liability for alleged sexual misconduct, business interruption claims under commercial property insurance, additional insured and contractual liability coverage disputes, errors and omissions coverage for business disputes, and product recall and contamination claims. And, more recently, Robyn is excited to join the firm's Civil Rights Insurance Recovery practice group, which helps recover financial restitution for exonerated prisoners from insurance carriers representing the public entities that wrongfully prosecuted and imprisoned them.

Aside from coverage claims and litigation, Robyn advises clients through all aspects of their coverage inquiries and needs. Through policy archaeology she helps clients find old, missing policies. Through policy reviews, she helps clients detect potential gaps to be filled before a claim arises. And, she helps clients review current coverages to make sure they comply with contract specifications.

- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

EDUCATION

University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1999

University of Missouri-Columbia, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1996

University of Missouri-Columbia, B.J., *summa cum laude*, 1996

Outside of her extensive property and casualty insurance work for policyholders, Robyn is equally experienced in handling ERISA and employee benefit litigation for employers, insurers and claim administrators. She has defended hundreds of cases throughout the country, with notable experience handling disability, retirement, and life benefit cases in the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Circuits. She expertly and efficiently advises clients with respect to benefit disputes, regulatory inquiries, alleged fiduciary breaches, ERISA preemption and ERISA disclosure requirements.

Presentations

- Co-presenter, "Take the Dive: Risk Pools v. Private Insurance," PRIMA 2023 Annual Conference, June 7, 2023
- Co-presenter, "Environmental Insurance Claims," RIMS Ozark Area Chapter, Springfield, MO, October 24, 2019
- Presenter, "Emerging Legal Issues," Agricultural Roundtable, September 2013
- Presenter, "Additional Insured Status Issues," Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, June 2013
- Presenter, "How to Get the Most Out of Your Liability Coverage After the Claim Comes In," MOPrima (August 2013), Risk Insurance Management Society - Ozarks Chapter, May 2013 (May 2013) and Association of Corporate Counsel - MidAmerica Chapter (April 2013)
- Presenter, "Insurance Recovery in the Wake of Superstorm Sandy," National Law Journal Crisis Litigation Forum, May 2013
- Presenter, "Insurance Litigation Trends," State of Litigation conference, Kansas City, 2010-2011
- Presenter, "Insurance Hot Topics: Practical Advice for Corporate Counsel," 2009
- Presenter, "Additional Insurance Coverage & Certificates of Insurance," Risk Insurance Management Society, Overland Park, Kansas, 2008
- Presenter, "Tips on Handling Insolvent Claims," Risk Insurance Management Society, Springfield, Missouri, 2006

Publications

- "Lessons From 1st COVID Biz Interruption Policyholder Verdict," Law360, October 26, 2022
- "COVID-19's Impact on Supply Chain and Business Interruption Insurance Claims," Supply & Demand Chain Executive, January 27, 2022
- "ERISA Disability Claim Regulations Get a Facelift," The Voice (DRI), Vol. 16 No. 4, February 2017
- "Business Interrupted - What's an Insured To Do?" First Chair Magazine, June 2013
- "A Food Recall Strikes - Are You Ready?," Food Safety Magazine, November 2011
- "Environmental Insurance," New Appleman on Insurance Law Library Edition, 2010
- "Issues as to the Number of Occurrences Under Comprehensive General Liability Policies," New Appleman on Insurance: Current Critical Issues in Insurance Law, Spring 2010
- "Environmental Insurance," Appleman on Insurance Law and Practice, 2nd ed., 2008
- "'Certificates of Insurance' and 'Additional Insured' Coverage: Maximize Value and Avoid Pitfalls," *The John Liner Review: The Quarterly Review of Advanced Risk Management Strategies*, Vol. 22, No. 22. Summer 2008

Client Alerts And Blog Posts

- Texas Jury Awards Coverage for Insured's \$48 Million in COVID-19 Business Interruption Loss
September 14, 2022
- Risky Business
June 14, 2022
- The Show Must Go On: Federal Court Allows Cinemark's COVID-19 Business Interruption Claims to Continue Where COVID-19 Allegedly Changed the Air in its Theaters
June 29, 2021
- Peloton Recalls and the Case for Product Recall Insurance
June 17, 2021
- Use it or Lose it: Decades of Valuable Insurance Coverage is Subject to Upcoming Claim-Bar Dates in the Bedivere and Stronghold Insolvency Proceedings

April 29, 2021

- Another Tasty “W” for Insureds in Missouri with COVID-19 Business Interruption Claims
April 23, 2021
- Back to Insurance Basics – Preparing Now Can Dampen the Burn of Future Wildfires
October 26, 2020
- Record-Breaking Flooding in the Midwest Likely Means a Flood of Business Interruption Claims, Too
June 19, 2019
- Product Recall Insurance Issues
November 29, 2018
- Natural Disasters in 2017 Caused Billions in Losses: Are Companies Ready for 2018?
January 5, 2018
- Policyholders Face April 11 Claims Deadline in London
March 10, 2011

In The News

- SupplyChainBrain Interviews Robyn Anderson on the Need for Supply Chain Disruption Insurance
January 24, 2022
- Corporate Risk and Insurance Quotes Robyn Anderson on Supply Chain Insurance Risks
November 18, 2021
- Law360 Quotes Robyn Anderson On Insurance Implications of Supply Chain Disruptions
October 29, 2021
- Benchmark Litigation: Four Lathrop Gage Attorneys Selected as Litigation Stars
November 23, 2015
- Benchmark Litigation: Robyn Anderson Obtains Litigator Award
June 25, 2015
- Insurance Law Daily: Lathrop Gage Obtains Favorable Decision for Insurance Company
August 25, 2014
- Robyn Anderson Named Among Ingram Magazine’s 40 Under 40
April 17, 2014

News Releases

- Eight Lathrop GPM Attorneys Named Lawyer of the Year, 89 Ranked as The Best Lawyers in America©
August 17, 2023
- Six Lathrop GPM Attorneys Named Lawyer of the Year, 95 Ranked as The Best Lawyers in America©
August 18, 2022
- Seven Lathrop GPM Attorneys Named Lawyer of the Year, 100 Ranked as The Best Lawyers in America©
August 19, 2021
- Lathrop GPM Attorneys Named to The Best Lawyers in America©, Lawyer of the Year, and Ones to Watch for 2021
August 20, 2020
- Best Lawyers in America 2020 Names 72 Lathrop Gage Attorneys; 13 Lawyers of the Year
August 15, 2019
- Best Lawyers in America Recognizes 70 Lathrop Gage Attorneys
August 15, 2018
- Super Lawyers Recognizes 57 Attorneys from Lathrop Gage in Missouri and Kansas
November 9, 2017
- Best Lawyers in America Recognizes 78 Lathrop Gage Attorneys
August 15, 2017
- Robyn Anderson Named Among Top 250 Women in Litigation
July 1, 2015
- Super Lawyers Recognizes 71 Lathrop Gage Attorneys
October 14, 2013
- 81 Lathrop Gage Attorneys Named “Best Lawyers in America”
August 15, 2013
- Robyn Anderson Named Among Top 250 Women in Litigation
July 10, 2012
- Lathrop Gage Obtains Reversal in 8th Circuit
July 28, 2011
- 62 Lathrop Gage Attorneys Recognized by Super Lawyers Magazine
October 13, 2010
- Benchmark Litigation Selects Five Lathrop Gage Attorneys as Litigation Stars
August 26, 2010

- Robyn Anderson a Featured Speaker at RIMS Seminar
February 29, 2008
- Lathrop Gage Promotes Six Attorneys to Member (Partner) Status
January 4, 2008

Professional Affiliations

- The Missouri Bar
- Kansas Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute (Life, Health & Disability Committee)

Honors

- Selected among Missouri/Kansas *Super Lawyers*, 2016-2017
- Selected among *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2015-2024
- *Ingram's Magazine*, "40 Under 40," 2014
- *Benchmark Litigation's* "Leading Insurance Attorney" and "Litigation Stars," 2013-2016
 - "Top 250 Women in Litigation" 2012-2015
- Missouri/Kansas *Super Lawyers* "Rising Stars"