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### Practice Areas

- Personal Injury Attorneys

### Education

- University of Minnesota Law School, LL.B. (1964)
- St. Thomas College, B.A.

### Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

### Selected Case Results\*

*Confidential Settlement:* In excess of \$5 Million for death of 50-year-old married woman with no children.

*Nipp v. Martin and ANC Rental Corporation and its subsidiary Alamo Rent-A-Car:* \$2.5 Million verdict for the wrongful death of elderly retired couple.

*Steffenhagen v. Dairy Farmers of America aka Mid-America Dairymen, Inc.:* A direct action by the employee against the employer on the theory that the employer's conduct should lift the immunity generally given to employers in a direct action suit by the employee's survivors, even though the Minnesota Workers Compensation Act strictly bars suits of this nature against the employer. Subsequent to oral arguments in the Minnesota Court of Appeals the matter was settled by the employer for an amount that remains confidential.

*Plaintiff v. Alfa-Laval Agri, Inc.:* Settlement, two-year-old child consumed liquid dairy pipeline cleaner from farm chemical container while in the family milk house with his mother. Notwithstanding alleged negligence of the mother in supervision of the child, and the fact that the matter was venued in a conservative rural jurisdiction, the manufacturers of the farm chemical and the hand pump attached to the chemical's container agreed to pay close to a seven figure number for esophageal burn injuries caused by the toddler's consumption of the toxic pipeline cleaner.

*Sharp v. Case Corporation:* \$6.3 million verdict.

*Rogers v. Olson Transport:* \$10,435,000 verdict.

*Brault v. Acceptance Indemnity Insurance Company:* Established in a recently published appellate decision that insurance coverage purchased by liquor vendors is increased to the maximum amount available under the policy, i.e., the aggregate limit, when the policy does not specify the sublimit for each specific area of coverage.

Past results are reported to provide the reader with an indication of the type of litigation we practice. They do not and should not be construed to create an expectation of result in any other case, as all cases are dependent upon their own unique fact situation and applicable law.

## Recognition\*\*

- "Professional Excellence Award," from the Minnesota State Bar Association, awarded to a group of lawyers who represented survivors of the 35W Bridge Collapse on a pro bono basis (2009)
- Named a "Minnesota Super Lawyer," *Super Lawyers* (2003-2007)
- Selected by peers and listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* (1995-2020 editions)

\*\*Being named to the list or receiving the award is not intended and should not be viewed as comparative to other lawyers or to create an expectation about results that might be achieved in a future matter.

## Resources

### Articles

- Obtaining Maximum Dram Shop Coverage for Innocent Victims  
*Minnesota Trial Lawyer, Vol. 23, No. 1 (Winter 1998) (co-authored)*
- Plaintiff's Discovery Approach To A Products Liability Action  
*Minnesota Trial Lawyer, Vol. 21, No. 2, p. 12 (Spring 1996)*
- Admissibility of Similar Occurrence Evidence  
*Minnesota Trial Lawyer, p. 20 (Winter 1990) (with Corey Gordon and William Dorigan)*
- The Encouraged Misuse Doctrine in Products Liability Actions  
*Products Liability, Commentary and Cases, Vol. 2, No. 3, cover page (March 1987); reprinted in Minnesota Trial Lawyer, p. 20 (Winter 1988) (with Corey*

### News

- Robins Kaplan Attorneys Named to 2018 Best Lawyers in America List; Three Receive "Lawyer of the Year" Designation
- Robins Kaplan LLP Attorneys Named to 2017 Best Lawyers in America List, Two Named "Lawyers of the Year"
- Thirty-Eight Robins Kaplan Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers in America© 2016