Selected Legal Representations and Advisory Engagements

International Legal Practice

- Criminal Defense, Czech Republic: Represented a client charged with vehicular manslaughter resulting in three fatalities. Secured a favorable outcome, with the court imposing a €5,000 fine and a five-year probationary period prohibiting driving within the Czech Republic.
- Personal Injury Litigation, Spain: Provided strategic counsel in a complex personal injury case involving two U.S. Embassy employees severely injured in a dune buggy race originating in Spain and occurring in Senegal, navigating cross-jurisdictional legal challenges.
- International Commercial Contracts, Czech Republic: Advised, drafted, and negotiated a sophisticated textile licensing and distribution agreement for a client establishing a Stuart Weitzman retail store in Prague, ensuring alignment with international commercial standards.
- Fashion Industry Advisory, Czech Republic: Counseled a prominent Czech fashion designer on legal considerations for operating a fashion business across Europe and the United States, including drafting bespoke contracts for use in a high-profile fashion show.
- Film Licensing and Compliance, Czech Republic: Provided comprehensive compliance and due diligence advice to a Prague-based international film licensing company concerning U.S. and U.K. anti-bribery and money laundering regulations.
- Conducted thorough reviews, risk assessments, and drafted tailored terms for major contracts, including the Microsoft Digital Content Agreement, Google Content Hosting Service Agreement, and Apple iTunes Digital Distribution Agreement (Europe, Middle East, Pan-Russia).
- Cross-Border Real Estate Compliance, Czech Republic: Delivered expert compliance guidance on the application of the U.K. Bribery Act to a Czech real estate agent's contract with a U.S. real estate firm, enforceable under British law, for the acquisition of Italian real estate from an Italian bank.
- Real Estate Litigation Strategy, Czech Republic: Advised a Czech real estate company on the viability of litigation and jurisdictional options to recover damages for breach of contract by a U.S. investment firm concerning the sale of commercial property in the Czech Republic.
- Breach of Contract Settlement, Spain: Successfully negotiated the resolution of a breach of contract claim against a Spanish employment company, achieving an equitable settlement.
- Criminal Evidence Assessment, Czech Republic: Evaluated the credibility of circumstantial evidence in a criminal assault case, providing strategic advice to counter the Czech Republic prosecutor's case against the client.
- Residential Lease Dispute, Italy: Counseled Italian clients on a breach of residential lease agreement, offering pragmatic legal solutions.

- Intellectual Property Protection, Europe and USA: Advised an inventor of an innovative automobile device on intellectual property strategies, including drafting non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements to safeguard proprietary interests in Europe and the United States.

United States Legal Practice

- Criminal Prosecution: Managed a high-volume caseload encompassing a broad spectrum of contentious and non-contentious criminal matters, including rape, assault, murder, burglary, robbery, theft, auto-theft, credit card fraud, employee theft, insurance fraud, child abuse/neglect, stalking, political corruption, tax evasion, and drug trafficking.
- Trial Advocacy: Served as lead counsel and second chair in both judge and jury trials, skillfully conducting voir dire (jury selection) within the common law legal system, demonstrating proficiency in trial strategy and courtroom advocacy.

Jury Trials

- State v. Snead, Forcible Rape/Sodomy Statutory Rape/Sodomy, 2nd chair
- State v. Rothwell, Felony DWI, Res. Arrest, C&I, Lv. Scene Act, 1st chair
- State v. Pamela Hurshman, Hindering Prosecution, 1st chair
- State v. Jeff D. Magalif, Felony Stalking, 2nd chair
- State v. Darin Lewis, Murder 1st, ACA, UUW, 2nd chair
- State v. Jacob Waldrop, Possession Cont. Substance 1st chair
- State v. Jeremy Banks, Murder 1st, ACA, 2nd chair
- State v. Brian M. Jacobs, Murder 2nd, ACA, 2nd chair
- State v. Willie Shurn Jr., DWI, DWR, 2nd chair
- State v. Jerome W. Carter, Assault I, ACA, 1st chair
- State v. Martin Mallinson, Domestic Assault II, Endangering Welfare of Child, 2nd chair

Bench Trials

- State v. Dwight D. Carson, Trafficking 2nd, Possession, 1st chair
- Mark E. Eads v. Dir. Of Revenue, 1st chair
- Melissa Messer v. Dir. Of Revenue, 1st chair
- Phillip R. Welch v. Dir. Of Revenue, 1st chair
- Jeffrey R. Gabrielson v. Dir. Of Revenue, 1st chair
- State v. Rayefield Turner, Felony Leaving Scene Motor Vehicle Accident, 1st chair

Civil Litigation and Private Actions

- As an associate attorney at a distinguished regional Midwest law firm, I managed an extensive portfolio of high-volume contentious and non-contentious civil matters, encompassing a broad spectrum of legal domains, including Tort Law, Commercial Law, Contract Law, Insurance Law, First Party Insurance Law, Subrogation Law, Construction Law, Occupier's Liability, and Professional Liability. My practice involved sophisticated

legal strategy, meticulous case preparation, and robust advocacy on behalf of claimants, defendants, and insurers.

Selected Representations

- Defense Counsel (Insured), Pharmaceutical Fraud/Wrongful Death: Represented a defendant in a high-stakes case involving pharmacist Robert R. Courtney's notorious drug-dilution scheme, affecting 98,000 prescriptions across 4,200 patients, including cancer patients. Navigated complex allegations against co-defendants Bristol-Myers Squibb and Eli Lilly, mitigating exposure in a case of significant public and legal scrutiny.
- Defense Counsel (Insured), Occupier's Liability: Defended a prominent franchise restaurant against claims of slip-and-fall injuries allegedly caused by a leaking salad bar, employing strategic evidence analysis to contest liability.
- Claimant Counsel (Insured), Occupier's Liability: Advocated for a recognized retail clothing tenant in a large shopping mall, securing recovery for flood damage to premises due to landlord and security service negligence.
- Defense Counsel (Insured), Walgreen's Pharmacy: Represented Walgreen's in a case alleging a pharmacist's dispensing error that caused personal injuries to a child, successfully challenging the claimant's assertions.
- Defense Counsel (Insured), Occupier's Liability: Defended against a tenant's personal injury claim arising from an icy communal walkway, leveraging jurisdictional and evidentiary arguments.
- Claimant Counsel, Insurance Fraud: Pursued a claim against an insurance agent accused of misappropriating premiums, ensuring accountability and recovery for the claimant.
- Claimant Counsel (Insured), Construction Liability Subrogation: Represented a client in a subrogation action alleging negligent installation of neon signage by an electrician, resulting in an electrical fire that destroyed a retail liquor store.
- Counsel for Claimants and Defendants, Road Traffic Accidents: Represented parties in personal injury and property damage claims arising from road traffic accidents, skillfully negotiating settlements with insurance companies to achieve equitable resolutions.
- Claimant Counsel, Negligent Food Handling: Advocated for claimants in cases alleging personal injuries from mouse skeletal remains and glass found in food at International House of Pancakes and McDonald's franchises, securing favorable outcomes.
- Defense Counsel (Insured), Bad Faith Insurance Claim: Defended an insurer against allegations of bad faith denial of benefits due to purported misrepresentation on a property insurance application, effectively mitigating liability.

Advisory and Contractual Engagements

- Insurance Contract Advisory: Provided expert counsel to insurers on complex issues, including policy language interpretation, jurisdictional considerations, coverage disputes, and

refusals of coverage due to fraud, non-disclosure, or misrepresentation in property/casualty, health, and life insurance policies.

- Construction Dispute Resolution: Handled multifaceted construction-related disputes for insured owners, contractors, project managers, subcontractors, and insurers, addressing issues such as contract breaches, professional misjudgment, product failures, job-site injuries, mechanics' liens, construction delays, interference claims, and indemnity disputes.

Litigation and Procedural Expertise

- Asset and Witness Tracing: Conducted thorough asset and witness tracing to support case strategies.
- Pleadings and Applications: Drafted and responded to pleadings and applications, navigating intricate aspects of civil procedure, including limitation periods, jurisdiction, choice of law, conflict of laws, disclosure obligations, expert evidence, lien/attachment orders, default/summary judgments, and costs, while addressing evidentiary issues such as admissibility, relevance, confidentiality, materiality, and privilege.
- Hearings and Negotiations: Represented clients in case management, settlement, and evidentiary hearings, negotiating settlement agreements with opposing parties to achieve optimal outcomes.
- Witness Examination: Conducted interviews and cross-examinations of lay and expert witnesses, including specialists in insurance claim investigation, accounting, crash reconstruction, tire track analysis, police accident scene procedures, oncology, chemotherapy, corporate pharmaceutical sales/marketing, nursing, pharmacology, global pharmaceutical market security, and pharmaceutical sales administration.
- Risk Analysis: Performed comprehensive risk assessments for insurers, evaluating factors such as the extent and type of injuries or property damages, potential parties, court jurisdiction/venue, jury pool composition, litigation costs, settlement prospects, evidence strength, applicable law, disputable issues, and the likelihood of bad faith claims.