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The Firm

Wolfe & Jacobson, Ltd. is a full service civil litigation firm. The firm's clients consist primarily of self-insured corporations, insurance companies and third-party administrators and their clients. The firm also provides services to a number of individual clients.

All of the firm's attorneys are licensed in the State of Illinois. Additionally, several of the firm's attorneys are licensed in Indiana and Wisconsin, as well as various Federal District Courts.

The firm has litigated thousands of civil cases in numerous venues involving a wide range of legal issues. Also, the firm has litigated Workers' Compensation cases at many venues across Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin.

The firm's attorneys have also litigated appeals before The United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, the Illinois Supreme Court and the First, Second, Third and Fourth Districts of the Illinois Appellate Court. The firm has also litigated appeals in various appellate districts before the Workers' Compensation Division.

The firm's attorneys pride themselves on being highly accessible to clients and make every effort to return phone calls and e-mails as soon as possible. Also, the firm's attorneys focus on keeping legal bills as low as possible while at the same time providing high quality and aggressive legal representation.

Our attorneys have tried jury trials to verdict in the following venues:

- The Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- Chicago (Cook County, Illinois)
- Markham (Cook County, Illinois)
- Joliet (Will County, Illinois)
- Rockford (Winnebago County, Illinois)
- Peoria (Peoria County, Illinois)
- Wheaton (DuPage County, Illinois)
- Pekin (Tazewell County, Illinois)
- Yorkville (Kendall County, Illinois)
- Dixon (Lee County, Illinois)
- Springfield (Sangamon County, Illinois)
- Decatur (Macon County, Illinois)
- Waukegan (Lake County, Illinois)
- Hammond (Lake County, Indiana)
- Crown Point (Lake County, Indiana)

Our commitment to our clients:

01. We will never perform unnecessary work.

02. We will always endeavor to balance our professional judgment with economic considerations when determining what legal work should be done.

03. We will work as diligently and zealously as possible while maintaining the quality of our work in order to minimize the time required to perform a given task.

04. We will earnestly endeavor to limit the costs associated with any legal work as much as possible.

05. We will not use standard or minimum billing entries with the exception of our disclosed units of incremental billing (tenths of an hour).

06. We will not bill our clients for general overhead expenses such as routine photocopying, telephone (including long distance), telefax and general clerical work.

07. Our clients always receive the benefit of any economies of scale such as multiple simultaneous court appearances by a single attorney (total time spent is pro-rated over all cases handled).

08. We will not re-bill for work previously performed on another file when that same work product is utilized (motions, research, etc.) other than the time necessary to modify or update the work.

09. We will always be available to discuss any questions a client has about a bill and will never make a client feel uncomfortable about making such inquiries.

10. We will otherwise respond to the trust that has been placed in us by maintaining the highest possible level of integrity in our billing practices and legal work.

Our representative clients include:

- Accident Fund Insurance Co.
- ADP TotalSource
- Air Design Systems
- American Interstate (Amerisafe) Insurance Co.
- Amerisure Insurance Co.
- Artex/Cedar Hill
- Ashley Furniture
- Badger Mutual Insurance Co.
- Bank of America
- Bergstrom, Inc.
- Bituminous Insurance Co.
- Broadspire
- Constitution State Service Company
- Cunningham Lindsey Claims Management
- Darling International
- Esurance Insurance Co.
- First Non-Profit Insurance Co.
- Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc.

- Highlands Insurance Group
- Hortica (Florists Mutual Insurance Co.)
- Kemper Auto & Home Group
- Kemper National Insurance Co.
- Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.
- Meadowbrook Insurance Group
- Michael's Stores
- National American Insurance Co.
- PeopLease
- QPS Companies, Inc.
- Secura Insurance Co.
- Sedgwick Claims Management
- St. Paul/Travelers Insurance Co.
- Union Standard Insurance Co.
- United Heartland Insurance Co.
- Unitrin Direct Insurance Co.
- Vanliner Insurance Co.

Practice Areas

Wolfe & Jacobson, Ltd. serves its clients' needs in:

- Construction Defense
(Personal Injury & Construction Defects)
- Transportation Liability (Automotive and Trucking)
- Workers' Compensation Defense
- Commercial Litigation
- Miscellaneous Negligence
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- Fraud litigation
- Insurance Coverage
- Civil Appeals
- Breach of Contract
- Unjust Enrichment
- Automobile Lemon Laws
- Consumer Fraud
- Insurance Subrogation
- Nursing Home Liability
- Latex Glove Liability
- Federal 1983 violations
- Employment discrimination
- EEOC defense

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Attorney Profile / Principal & Officer

David H. Wolfe

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Mr. Wolfe has more than fifteen years experience as a civil trial attorney. He is licensed to practice law in the State Courts of Illinois and Wisconsin. He is also licensed in the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois and is a member of the Federal Trial Bar.

He is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel, DRI and the Workers' Compensation Lawyers Association.

He graduated with honors from the University of Illinois (B.S., 1991) and from Washington University in St. Louis School of Law (J.D., 1994)

Mr. Wolfe has an active civil litigation practice. He has tried jury trials to verdict in:

- Cook County (Chicago)
- DuPage County (Wheaton)
- Peoria County (Peoria)
- Will County (Joliet)
- Winnebago County (Rockford)

Mr. Wolfe has conducted numerous examinations under oath, arbitrations and mediations. He is regularly selected as an Arbitrator for uninsured and underinsured motorist claims. In addition, Mr. Wolfe has litigated hundreds of workers' compensation cases in the majority of Illinois venues.

Mr. Wolfe currently handles cases in the areas of:

- Construction negligence
- Insurance coverage
- Automotive negligence
- Commercial litigation
- Transportation/Trucking negligence
- UM/UIM claims
- Fraud litigation
- Workers' Compensation Defense
- Premises liability
- General Civil Litigation

Mr. Wolfe regularly speaks at seminars on a wide range of topics related to Illinois tort law, workers' compensation claims, and insurance coverage.

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Mr. Jacobson has been a licensed attorney in the state of Illinois since 2000 and in Indiana since 2001. He focuses his practice in the areas of workers' compensation defense, employer liability and civil litigation defense.

Mr. Jacobson received his Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1997. He went on to earn his juris doctor from DePaul University College of Law in 2000 and joined Wolf & Wolfe at that time. Since that time, he has had extensive trial experience before both the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, as well as jury and bench trial experience in circuit court.

Mr. Jacobson focuses his practice in the areas of workers' compensation defense, employer liability defense and civil litigation defense. He has tried a multitude of cases before the Workers' Compensation Commission in venues throughout Illinois over the past decade.

His professional affiliations include the Illinois State Bar Association, Chicago Bar Association and the Workers' Compensation Lawyers' Association. He is the author of The Child Online Protection Act: Taming the World "Wild" Web, DePaul Journal of Art and Entertainment Law, Spring 1999, Volume IX, Number 2.

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After spending more than 20 years in the business world as a consumer of legal services, Mr. Grady earned his law degree and is licensed to practice before all Illinois and Indiana State Courts, the U.S. Seventh Circuit, as well as the Northern District of Illinois where he is a member of the trial bar, and the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana as well as the Eastern District of Missouri.

Mr. Grady has tried more than 15 cases to jury verdict during his 13 years of practice including cases involving damages in excess of \$1,000,000 and cases in which plaintiffs sought punitive damages. Mr. Grady has tried cases to verdict in the Northern District of Illinois, Cook County Law and Municipal Districts, Lake County, Illinois and Lake County, Indiana.

Mr. Grady represents his clients in matters including:

- Wrongful death
- 1983 claims
- Contribution
- Construction negligence
- EEOC claims
- Coverage issues
- Construction defects
- Employment discrimination
- Property damage
- Transportation/trucking negligence
- Lemon law
- Breach of contract
- Cargo loss
- Consumer fraud
- Unjust enrichment
- Automobile negligence
- Truth in Lending Act

- Subrogation
- Product liability
- Mechanic's Liens
- Legal malpractice
- Premises liability
- Trademark/copyright infringement
- Professional malpractice
- Illinois Structural Work Act

Mr. Grady also litigates and has tried workers' compensation cases in Illinois and Indiana and represents his clients before the Illinois Department of Human Rights.

A trial win or prevailing at an administrative hearing does not end the case when one of the parties appeals the decision. Mr. Grady has handled over 20 appeals before the Illinois Supreme Court and Illinois Appellate Court's Workers' Compensation Division, First, Second and Fourth Districts. He represents his clients before the Appellate Court on a wide range of issues including *forum non conveniens*, statutes of limitation, Structural Work Act, workers' compensation disputes, coverage issues, jurisdictional questions and trial court error.

Mr. Grady earned his B.A. from Chaminade University of Honolulu, his MBA, with distinction, from Keller Graduate School of Management and his law degree from John Marshall Law School. He is a member of the Chicago and Illinois Bar Associations, the Indiana Bar Association, Defense Trial Counsel and the Defense Research Institute. Mr. Grady also served as a mock trial coach for several of John Marshall Law School's inter-scholastic Mock Trial Competition teams in addition to presenting seminars to his clients on various Illinois tort law issues.

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Mr. Jensen has more than fifteen years experience as a civil trial attorney and concentrates his practice in the defense of worker's compensation cases. Since 1994, he has represented employers in workers' compensation cases throughout the State of Illinois and has tried more than a 100 cases. He has tried workers compensation cases in Peoria, Springfield, Joliet, Geneva, Waukegan, Wheaton, Woodstock and Chicago. Mr. Jensen also has experience defending employers in civil cases.

He is licensed in all courts in the State of Illinois and is a member of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Lawyers Association. He graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a degree in Finance and graduated from John Marshall Law School, cum laude.

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Ms. Cullen is licensed in all courts in the State of Illinois and the State of Minnesota. She is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, American Bar Association, and the Minnesota Bar Association. She previously served as Chair of the Law Student Committee of the Young Lawyers Section of the Chicago Bar Association. She completed her undergraduate education at Illinois Wesleyan University in 2004. She graduated from The DePaul University College of Law *cum laude* in 2007, where she was named to the Dean's List multiple times. Ms. Cullen obtained her Health Law Certificate from The DePaul University College of Law.

Ms. Cullen's past experience includes clerking for The Honorable Allen S. Goldberg in the Circuit Court of

Cook County's Commercial Law Division as well as working at a civil litigation defense firm.

Ms. Cullen concentrates her practice in civil litigation, defending cases involving automobile negligence, construction negligence, property damage, personal injuries, wrongful death, product liability, and premises liability. Ms. Cullen has also litigated insurance subrogation cases. She has represented clients in Municipal Division and Law Division cases in Cook County and in many other counties in Illinois. In addition, she has defended workers' compensation cases throughout Illinois.

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Mr. Kohl is licensed in the State of Illinois. He is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, and American Bar Association. He completed his undergraduate at the University of Michigan in 2010 and graduated from Washington University in St. Louis School of Law in 2013.

Mr. Kohl has represented clients in workers' compensation cases throughout the State of Illinois and has additionally represented clients in cases involving automobile negligence, property damage, and personal injuries.

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Elizabeth Lembeck joined Wolfe & Jacobson, Ltd. in January 2015.

In 2010, Ms. Lembeck graduated from the University of Kansas with a B.S. in journalism from the William Allen White School of Journalism and Mass Communications. She earned her Juris Doctorate from DePaul University College of Law in 2014.

While at DePaul, Ms. Lembeck was a Case Notes and Comment Writer for the Journal of Art, Technology, and

Intellectual Property and then an editor for the journal thereafter. Ms. Lembeck received the CALI Award for Law and the Mass Media and the CALI Award for Intellectual Property for the Business Transactional Lawyer.

Ms. Lembeck is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, American Bar Association, Women's Bar Association of Illinois, and a Board Member of the Chicago Chapter of the Kansas Alumni Association.

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Danielle Mikhail joined Wolfe & Jacobson, Ltd. in November 2017.

Ms. Mikhail is licensed in the State of Illinois. She completed her undergraduate education at Hope College in 2013. She graduated from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 2017, where she was named to the Dean's List every semester and served on the board of Society of Women in Law. Ms. Mikhail also received the CALI award for Compliance in Financial Institutions.

While attending law school, Ms. Mikhail gained a variety of litigation experience. She served as a judicial extern for the Honorable Matthew Kennelly in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois.

She also worked as a law clerk for several private firms involved in business litigation, insurance defense litigation, toxic tort defense litigation, and complex property and procedural litigation issues. Before joining Wolfe & Jacobson, Ms. Mikhail served as a Fellow at the Cook County State's Attorney's Office where she actively litigated in the Seniors & Persons with Disabilities Unit, the Conflicts Unit of the Civil Rights Section, and the Traffic Division.

Ms. Mikhail is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association, the Women's Bar Association of Illinois, and the Federal Bar Association.

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Heriberto Diaz joined Wolfe & Jacobson, Ltd. in November 2017.

Mr. Diaz received his Juris Doctorate from Chicago-Kent College of Law in May 2017 where he served as President of the Hispanic Latino Law Student Association and the Federal Bar Association. While in law school, Mr. Diaz received CALI awards for Trial Advocacy I, Trial Advocacy II, Intensive Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Workplace, and Immigration Policy and Procedure.

During law school, Mr. Diaz gained valuable experience as a law clerk at a personal injury law firm. He was also a Judicial Extern for the Circuit Court of Cook County and a legal intern for McDonalds In-house Counsel.

Prior to earning his law degree, Mr. Diaz received his Bachelor's degree from Benedictine University, graduating *cum laude* with a major in Political Science. He was a recipient of the prestigious Lincoln Laureate Award and the Arthur J. Schmitt Future Leader Award. He founded Benedictine's Law Society and served as Vice-President of the Political Science Student Association. As a member of Benedictine's Mock Trial Team, he earned the Top Attorney Award and was the recipient of the Mock Trial Leader Award.

Mr. Diaz is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, the Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois, and the Hispanic National Bar Association.