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Overview

Zander is an attorney in our Insurance and Professional Liability practice groups, where his practice focuses on helping clients navigate large loss claims under liability and property insurance programs. His experience includes evaluating insurance coverage claims and risk-transfer opportunities for primary and excess insurers and reinsurers; litigating declaratory judgment, breach of contract, and bad-faith claims in trial and appellate courts; and monitoring complex personal injury, commercial, and products liability litigation against policyholders. Zander has assisted clients in coverage matters such as the 3M Combat Arms Multi-District Litigation (involving over 280,000 lawsuits and a \$6.01 billion mass tort settlement); the 2014 Home Depot data breach; and litigation concerning eight to ten-figure personal injury, property damage, and business interruption claims related to industrial accidents, sex abuse, COVID-19, and complex insurance arrangements including risk-purchasing groups, Owner-Controlled Insurance Programs, and excess insurance and Bermuda reinsurance.

Prior to joining Meagher + Geer, Zander served as a law clerk for the Honorable Susan Richard Nelson of the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. Zander earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Minnesota Law School, and was elected to the Order of the Coif.

During law school, Zander worked as a law clerk for The Cincinnati Insurance Companies, where he participated in various matters related to insurance coverage and defense practice. He also served as a research assistant for Professor Daniel Schwarcz, where he conducted empirical and legal research regarding the courts' influence on the development of insurance policies and the constitutionality of state insurance regulation. Zander also served as an Articles Editor for the Minnesota Law Review, as a Student Managing Editor for the Constitutional Commentary law journal, and as a Legal Research & Writing Instructor.

Services

- ◆ Professional Liability
- ◆ Insurance
 - ◇ Insurance - Bad Faith
 - ◇ Insurance Coverage
 - ◇ Insurance - Reinsurance

State Bar Admissions

- ◆ Minnesota, 2020
- ◆ Arizona, 2021

Federal Court Admissions

- ◆ United States Supreme Court, 2024
- ◆ United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 2023
- ◆ United States Court of Appeals, First Circuit, 2024
- ◆ United States Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit, 2021
- ◆ United States District Court, District of Minnesota, 2021
- ◆ United States District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, 2021
- ◆ United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin, 2021



Education

- ◆ University of Minnesota Law School, *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, J.D., 2020
- ◆ University of St. Thomas, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2017

Clerkships

- ◆ Law Clerk to the Honorable Susan Richard Nelson, U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, August 2020 – August 2021

Experience

Major Cases

- ◆ *In re 3M Combat Arms Earplug Products Liability Litigation*, No. 3:19-md-02885 (S.D. Fla.) (assisted insurer clients in evaluating and monitoring historic MDL products liability litigation resulting in \$6.01 billion mass tort settlement, and navigating coverage disputes under excess liability and Bermuda reinsurance policies, with associated bankruptcy and declaratory judgment litigation)
- ◆ *Home Depot, Inc. et al. v. Steadfast Ins. Co. et al.*, No. 1:21-CV-242, 2023 WL 5278049 (S.D. Ohio Aug. 16, 2023) (obtained summary judgment finding no coverage under commercial general liability policies for nine-figure data breach losses)
- ◆ *The Regents of the University of Michigan v. Arrowood Indemnity Co. et al.*, No. 22-000519 (Washtenaw, Mich.) (represented insurer client in coverage litigation and alternative dispute resolution concerning \$490M settlement of decades-old sex abuse claims related to a university physician)
- ◆ *Landry's, LLC et al. v. AIG Lexington et al.*, No. 2020-2854 Div. B (Calcasieu, La.) (represented insurer client in coverage litigation concerning nine-figure COVID-19 business interruption claims, obtaining favorable reversals on appeal and dismissal of claims against client)
- ◆ *XL Insurance America, Inc. et al. v. Turner Constr. Co. et al.*, No. 651974/2022 (New York, N.Y.) (represented insurer client in declaratory judgment litigation concerning coverage under an Owner-Controlled Insurance Program for multi-billion-dollar property damage and business interruption claims related to Superstorm Sandy)

Notable

Accolades

- ◆ Selected for inclusion in the Minnesota Rising Stars list in the area of Insurance Coverage, Thomson Reuters, (Only 2.5 percent of the Minnesota attorneys are given this honor), 2024
- ◆ Named an "Up & Coming Attorney," Minnesota Lawyer (2024)

Professional Affiliations

- ◆ Defense Research Institute
- ◆ Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association

- ◆ Minnesota State Bar Association
- ◆ Hennepin County Bar Association
- ◆ Arizona State Bar Association

Publications

- ◆ Authored Note, *Bad Faith in Medical Billing: A Judicial Approach to Preventing Surprise Bills* and *No More Surprises: Patients Fight Back Against Surprise Medical Bills*, MINN. L. REV. DE NOVO (Apr. 22, 2019)