



## Bryan J. Cahill

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### Practice Areas

Appellate

Energy

Insurance & Reinsurance

Litigation

Products Liability & Torts

Real Estate & Construction

### Admissions

Wisconsin

### Education

Juris Doctor, University of Wisconsin Law School, *summa cum laude*, Order of the Coif

Bachelor of Arts, University of Wisconsin-Madison, philosophy and history

Bryan is a shareholder in Godfrey & Kahn's Litigation practice in the firm's Madison office. Bryan advises and represents clients in all phases of litigation, from pre-suit investigation through trial and appeals. In addition to appearing in state and federal trial and appellate courts, Bryan also represents utility clients in contested proceedings before the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Bryan's trial practice encompasses a variety of commercial litigation, including eminent domain and land-use disputes, products liability defense, invasion of privacy torts, insurance sales practices challenges, deceptive trade practices and consumer fraud claims, and class action defense. He also advises and represents clients in municipal disputes arising from zoning law and land-use ordinance violations.

Before joining the firm, Bryan served as the law clerk to the Honorable David T. Prosser at the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

### Representative Experience

*Larson v. Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corporation*, W.D. Wisconsin No. 14CV215 (granting motion to dismiss plaintiff's putative class action challenging health insurer's use of copayments for chiropractic care).

*Moran v. IOD Incorporated*, Massachusetts Superior Court (defended a medical records release-of-information company against a class action alleging overcharging and violations of state deceptive trade practices statute, obtaining a favorable, early settlement on a class-wide basis).

*Stolen Farms, Inc. v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2010AP1427 (affirming the trial court's summary judgment decision confirming the electric transmission utility's right to exercise its eminent domain power for purposes of upgrading a high voltage transmission line).

*Oaks v. Settlers Life Insurance Company*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2009AP2061, (reversing the trial court's summary judgment decision and granting the life insurer summary judgment, holding that the life insurance beneficiary could not recover because the policy was void ab initio).

*Westphal v. Smelser, et al.*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2007AP827 (reversing the trial court's denial of summary judgment resulting in dismissal of conspiracy and tort claims against executive by former management employee).

*Singer v. Pneumo-Abex LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2010AP2614 (January 18, 2012: Reversing trial court's denial of brake lining manufacturer's motion for summary judgment in wrongful death mesothelioma case and vacating \$1.5 million jury verdict).

## **Representative Experience**

*Simonson v. Morbark, Inc.*, Jackson County Circuit Court Case No. 07-CV-96 (alleged defective design of commercial wood chipper in wrongful death products liability case: Defense Verdict on October 8, 2010).

## **Court Admissions**

United States District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin  
United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin

## **Professional Association Memberships**

Dane County Bar Association

## **Honors**

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* (Litigation - Real Estate, 2017 - present; Litigation - Land Use and Zoning, 2023)

Recognized as a Wisconsin Rising Star (2011 - 2012, 2014 - 2019)

Recognized by Benchmark Litigation as a Local Future Star (2018 - present)