

## Bret L. Freeman

Associate

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## Overview

Bret Freeman is an associate on the firm's Litigation and Dispute Resolution Practice Group. He concentrates his practice in first-party coverage. Bret manages the full litigation cycle including litigation strategies, case analysis and research, tactical management, and execution of the case strategy.

Prior to practicing law, Bret had a successful career as an HR professional, where he served as HR leader for several mid and large-sized organizations.

## Representative Matters

- Represented large insurance carrier in a complex first-party property case involving 8 separate policy limit assignments of benefits (AOB) claims. Conducted a global settlement conference to resolve the claims for pennies on the dollar, resulting in tens of thousands of dollars in savings to the client.
- Successfully defended insurance carrier in numerous litigated insurance claims involving AOB vendors that challenged insurers' coverage denial of vendor payments for administrative and diagnostic related services. These cases resulted in favorable summary disposition judgments, negotiated settlements, or voluntary dismissals.
- Assisted insurance carrier in the implementation of a deposition training for its adjusters in order to provide best practices on providing deposition testimony.
- Represented insurer in litigated policy limits claim, that resulted in a motion for summary judgment and voluntary dismissal by Plaintiff.
- Defended insurance carrier in a litigated first-party property claim where Plaintiff sought in excess of the insurance policy limits. Resolved the case through a mediated settlement that resulted in a savings of more than \$30,000 to the insurer.

## Thought Leadership

- ABA-TIPS/ABOTA National Trial Academy, Participant, September 2022
- [Emerging factors forecast a continued rise in insurance litigation](#), Author, PropertyCasualty360, September 2022
- ["After The Storm: Top 5 Things To Do When Making A Claim - And Why They Matter,"](#) Author, *Tampa Bay Business & Wealth*, September 2022



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## Practice Areas

- [Litigation and Dispute Resolution](#)

## Education

- J.D., Western Michigan University, Thomas M. Cooley Law School, 2018
- M.S., Nova Southeastern University, 2007
- B.A., Miami University, 2000

## Admissions

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