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OVERVIEW

KC Ahrens is an experienced business litigator and accomplished insurance law trial attorney. KC brings to Hellmuth & Johnson nearly 30 years of extensive trial experience in complex litigation, business disputes and insurance law. As a trusted professional advisor and trial advocate, KC possesses a rare combination of business judgment, strategic leadership and crisis management skills. As a persuasive and successful trial lawyer, KC captures the respect of clients and opposing counsel alike.

KC serves as chair of Hellmuth & Johnson's insurance defense practice group. Through proven success in the courtroom, KC has long been recognized as one of the leading trial attorneys defending multi-national insurance companies and their insureds in a multitude of matters involving general liability, products liability, premises liability, insurance coverage and fraud, and automobile casualty.

EXPERIENCE

KC has been involved in multiple landmark appeals in both state and federal court on critical business, class action, and insurance law principles, including:

- *Madrigal v. Kline Oldsmobile, Inc.*, 2005 WL 2179529 (8th 2005)
- *Edlund v. Ridgedale Automotive, Inc.*, 101 Fed.Appx. 180, 2004 WL 1301508 (8th 2004)
- *Van Danacker v. Main Motors Sales Co.*, 109 F.Supp.2d 1045, 2000 WL 1030418 (D. Minn. 2000)
- *Kinzer v. CitiMortgage, Inc.*, 2015 WL 234262 (Minn. Ct. App. Jan. 20, 2015)
- *Mitsch v. American Nat'l Prop. & Cas. Co.*, 736 N.W.2d 355, 2007 WL 2177884 (Minn. Ct. App. 2003)
- *Wooddale Builders, Inc. Maryland Cas. Co.*, 722 N.W.2d 283, 2006 WL 2828672 (Minn. 2006)
- *Liabo v. Wayzata Nissan, LLC*, 707 N.W.2d 715, 2006 WL 91771 (Minn. Ct. App. Jan. 17, 2006)
- *Reinke v. Harold Chevrolet-Geo, Inc.*, 2004 WL 1152700 (Minn. Ct. App. May 20, 2004)

PRACTICE AREA

Appeals & Legal Writing
Business Litigation
Class Action
Complex Litigation
Insurance Coverage
Insurance Litigation

ADMISSIONS

Minnesota State Courts
U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

EDUCATION

Hamline University School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 1993
Concordia College, B.A., cum laude, 1989

- *Scott v. Forest Lake Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge*, 668 N.W.2d 45, 2003 WL 22039893 (Minn. Ct. App. 2003)
- *Jacobson v. Universal Underwriters Ins. Group*, 645 N.W.2d 741, 2002 WL 1363998 (Minn. Ct. App. 2002)
- *Scott v. Forest Lake Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge*, 637 N.W.2d 587, 2002 WL 4543 (Minn. Ct. App. Jan. 2, 2002)
- *Lofquist v. Whitaker Buick-Jeep-Eagle, Inc.*, 2001 WL 1530907 (Minn. Ct. App. Dec. 4, 2001)
- *Scott v. Forest Lake Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge*, 611 N.W.2d 346, 2000 WL 768539 (Minn. 2000)

AFFILIATIONS

- Board of Directors and Secretary, Holes Fore Hope Foundation
- Board of Directors, WeCAB
- Member, Minnesota State Bar Association
- Member, Hennepin County Bar Association
- Director, Chanhassen Rotary (Past President and Former Foundation Chairperson)

HONORS & AWARDS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Insurance Law, Litigation – Insurance, 2021-2025
- *Minnesota Monthly* Top Lawyers in Minnesota – Litigation – Commercial & Litigation – Insurance, 2023, 2024

COMMUNITY

- Panel Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association
- Presenter: Maximizing Your Practice During COVID-19 and Beyond – Minnesota CLE Webinar– February 2021
- Frequent speaker and CLE lecturer on Automobile Insurance Law, including, Minnesota No-Fault and UM/UIM benefits