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## Career Summary

- ◆ Law Clerk for The Honorable Marc. R. Kellams of the Monroe Superior Court, 1986-1988
- ◆ Law Clerk for Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard of The Indiana Supreme Court, 1988-1990
- ◆ Senior Associate, Litigation Department at Krieg DeVault, 1990-1995
- ◆ Lead author and creator of a law review article analyzing the Indiana Supreme Court Docket, Dispositions and Opinions, 1990-2002
- ◆ President and founder of Lawyer's Bar Review in Indiana, 1993-1998
- ◆ Chief Counsel for the Indiana Department of Environmental Management , 1995-1996
- ◆ Founder and Managing Partner of Betz + Blevins (formerly Betz & Associates), 1997-present
- ◆ Master Lawyer of Sagamore American Inns of Court , 1998-present
- ◆ Founding Board Member of Indiana Hemophilia and Thrombosis Center, 1998-present
- ◆ Indiana Supreme Court Committee on Character & Fitness, 1998-present
- ◆ Author, Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard biographical essay for the Indiana Historical Society, *Justices of the Indiana Supreme Court*, 2011
- ◆ Certified as a Civil Trial Attorney by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, 2009-present

## Education

*Indiana University – Bloomington, IN*

B.A., Journalism -1982

B.A., Political Science – 1982

*Northwestern University – Evanston, IL*

M.A., Journalism – 1984

*Indiana University Maurer School of Law – Bloomington, IN*

J.D. - 1988

## Professional Trial, Litigation and Appellate Experience

- ◆ **TRIALS AND VERDICTS** - Kevin W. Betz has tried more than 20 jury trials, bench trials or arbitrations in his more than 20 years of trial work. Kevin has most recently secured jury verdicts in individual rights cases of more than \$300,000 in Marion County and \$600,000 in Shelby County as well as a \$3.1 million verdict in the federal district court for the Southern District of Indiana. See *Doescher v. Raess*, 883 N.E. 2d 790 (Ind.2008); *Morgan v. Shelby County*, 835 N.E.2d 234 (Ind. Ct. App. 2005); *Burton, et al. v. General Motors Corp.*, No. 95-1054 (S.D. Ind. Aug. 15, 2008). These were each considered groundbreaking verdicts in unique cases with novel claims. Besides other successful federal court trials, Kevin

has also tried cases to juries in Delaware, Hamilton, Hendricks and Johnson counties in Indiana. He has also appeared before many administrative agencies to advocate on behalf of clients.

- ♦ **TRIALS AND LITIGATION** – He has also been the lead attorney in hundreds of lawsuits and legal actions in Indiana. As part of his duties as lead attorney, he has conducted more than 100 direct examinations of witnesses at trial, more than 70 cross examinations of witnesses, more than 10 direct examinations of expert witnesses as well as multiple cross examinations of expert witnesses in trial and in depositions, and he has given more than 20 each of opening and closing statements at trials. He has also undertaken 100s of depositions and 100s of mediations of civil lawsuits.
- ♦ **APPELLATE**- Kevin has also been the lead attorney in multiple appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and presented oral arguments for each of these appeals. Kevin has also handled and argued multiple appeals before the Indiana Court of Appeals and the Indiana Supreme Court. See, for example, the webcast of his oral argument before the Indiana Supreme Court in *Doescher v. Raess*, 883 N.E. 2d 234 (Ind. 2008) at <https://mycourts.in.gov/arguments/>.

## Bar Admissions

All Indiana state courts, 1988

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana, 1988

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana, 1988

U.S. District Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, 1988

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, 2000

U.S. Supreme Court, 1995

## Professional Associations and Memberships

Member - American Bar Association

Member - Federal Bar Association

Member - Indiana State Bar Association

Member - Indianapolis Bar Association

Master - Sagamore American Inns of Court

Member - National Employment Lawyers Association

Member – National Employment Lawyers Association – Indiana Chapter

Member – International Network of Boutique Law Firms

Member – Indiana Trial Lawyers Association