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# Angela L. Freel

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Angela L. Freel is a Member in the Insurance industry group, focusing primarily on appellate; arbitration, mediation and alternative dispute resolution; class action and complex litigation; commercial litigation; domestic relations litigation; general litigation; and product liability litigation. She is a member of the Executive Committee and practices out of the Firm's office in Evansville, Indiana.

Angela has experience in a wide variety of areas, ranging from domestic relations, wrongful death, catastrophic injury, products liability, premises liability, commercial disputes, civil disputes, automobile/motorcycle accidents, and other complex litigation matters.

Angela enjoys getting to know the people she represents. She prides herself on developing a personal connection with her clients while providing a complete understanding of each case along with the effective, timely resolution of disputes. She's a quick thinker and can take action swiftly – often called within hours of a serious accident to coordinate, develop, and implement defense strategies, retain experts, and preserve critical evidence.

Angela has experience representing business owners, professionals and their spouses through various life events such as divorce, paternity, guardianship, and custody modification. Knowing how these events can affect all involved, Angela works to minimize the disruptions in her clients' personal and professional lives while guiding them through their family and domestic disputes.

Through it all, Angela is committed to achieving maximum results for her clients, whether through negotiated settlements or litigation.

Angela's straight-forward, honest style has earned the respect of colleagues and clients as well a reputation for being a reliable and experienced ally. When she's not practicing law, you may find Angela cooking, baking, shopping, or decorating and redecorating her home.

#### **Awards**

• Indiana Super Lawyers® Rising Star, Personal Injury Defense (2012-2013)

## **Notable Legal Experience**

- Represented various clients in the transportation industry, including intra-state carriers, interstate carriers and their commercial drivers, small trucking operations, regional trucking operations, and a major grocery transporter
- Represents clients at the trial court, state, and federal levels, through the complexities of pleadings, discovery, mediation, and trial
- Represents clients on appellate matters

### **Work History**

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2014-Present)
- Rudolph, Fine, Porter & Johnson LLP (1998-2014)

#### **Practices**

- Appellate
- Arbitration, Mediation & Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Class Action & Complex Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law
- Health Care Litigation
- Litigation
- Product Liability Litigation

#### **Industries**

- Banking
- Insurance

#### **Education**

- Indiana University Maurer School of Law (J.D., 1998)
- Indiana University (B.S. in Public Affairs, with high distinction, 1995)

#### **Admissions**

- Indiana (1998)
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana

## **Professional Organizations**

- Indiana Commission for Continuing Legal Education, Former Commissioner
- Evansville Bar Association
- Evansville Bar Foundation, Former President and Current Board Member
- Indiana State Bar Foundation, Former Evansville District Representative
- Indiana State Bar Association, Former Board of Governors, Current Member
- ISBA Young Lawyers Section, Past Chair
- Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, Former Member of the Board of Directors
- Volunteer Lawyer Program
- Registered Indiana Civil Mediator, 2002?present

## **Speaking Engagements & Publications**

- "What If a Customer Becomes a Crime Victim?," Evansville Business Journal (July 2015)
- "It's Over...Can't I Just Walk Away?," *Tri?State Better Business Bureau Newsletter* (Evansville) (Aug. 2013) and *Evansville Business Journal* (Oct. 2013)
- "Understanding and Evaluating the Wrongful Death Claim," Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum (ICLEF)
  (December 2010)
- "Family Law 101-Basic Divorce and Child Custody," Evansville Bar Association (May 2010)

• "Civil & Criminal Evidence," ICLEF (December 2001)

## **Community**

- Women's Fund Vanderburgh Count, Current Member and Past Board Member and Co-Chair
- YWCA of Southwestern Indiana, Past Board Member