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Practice Areas

Mediator, Arbitrator and Hearing Officer for complex cases in all areas of Civil Litigation, including Medical and Professional Malpractice, Product Liability, Aviation, Personal Injury, Commercial and Construction Litigation, Employment, Insurance, and Business Disputes.

Experience

Mr. Peterson is a graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Law. His practice focuses on conducting mediations and arbitrations, after 30 years as a trial lawyer defending health care providers, other professionals and product manufacturers, and handling complex trials throughout Alaska. He is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates. Mr. Peterson has extensive trial experience in courts throughout Alaska and in the United States District Court for Alaska. He has handled complex appeals in both federal and state courts. Mr. Peterson has lectured on litigation issues, including case management, evaluation of threshold issues, tort law in Alaska, and legal responsibilities of health care providers. Mr. Peterson holds an AV Rating by Martindale-Hubbell and is listed among Alaska's "Superlawyers."

Affiliations

- ♦ Martindale-Hubbell—AV Rating
- ♦ American College of Trial Lawyers—Fellow (2005), State Chair (2005-2007)
- ♦ American Board of Trial Advocates—Member (2010)
- ♦ Alaska Bar Association—Member of Committee on Fair and Impartial Courts, Fee Arbitration Committee, and Alternative Dispute Resolution Section.
- ♦ Listed by Chambers USA as a Leading Litigation Attorney in Alaska (2011)
- ♦ Best Lawyers in America (Alaska: Tier 1 Products Liability Litigation – Defendants; Tier 2 Medical Malpractice Law and Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants)
- ♦ United States Supreme Court Historical Society—State Chairman
- ♦ Named as one of Alaska's SuperLawyers (2007-2012)—Alternative Dispute Resolution, Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice and Personal Injury Defense: Products Liability
- ♦ Defense Counsel of Alaska (statewide defense attorney organization)—Past member and President (1995)
- ♦ Defense Research Institute (national defense and trial attorney organization)—Past member and Alaska State Chair (1990-1995)

Admissions

- ♦ State of Alaska (All Courts)
- ♦ United States District Court for the District of Alaska
- ♦ Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

Education

- ♦ University of Minnesota School of Law, Juris Doctorate (1979)
- ♦ St. Olaf College, Bachelor of Arts, Cum Laude (1975)