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MICHAEL J. DOLAN has been admitted in Minnesota and Federal Courts to practice law since 1983. He is a partner in the law firm of Thornton, Reif, Dolan, Bowen & Klecker, P.A., 1017 Broadway, P.O. Box 819, Alexandria, Minnesota 56308, and has extensive experience in civil litigation. Since 1992 has been certified by the Minnesota State Bar Association as a Civil Trial Specialist. Mr. Dolan continues to practice in the areas of alternative dispute resolution, general litigation, personal injury, domestic relations and criminal prosecution and defense.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE. Mr. Dolan also has experience in the municipal law area having served as Assistant Douglas County Attorney, Special Prosecutor, Assistant State Public Defender, Assistant County Defender and City Attorney for five different municipalities in the area. While serving in these capacities, he acquired experience with regard to businesses in employment matters and dispute resolution. He is a member of the Local and Minnesota State Bar Associations, Civil Trial Specialist as Certified by the Civil Litigation Section of the Minnesota State Bar Association.

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE. Outside of the legal area, Mr. Dolan has served Legal Services of Northwest Minnesota for over 25 years. He has served as Treasurer and past President of the Douglas County Bar Association. He has been a President and Treasurer of the Douglas County Developmental Achievement Center. Mr. Dolan has served as Pastoral Council Chair and Finance Committee Chair for the St. Mary's Catholic Church of Alexandria and continues to serve as Chairperson of that Committee. Mr. Dolan has previously served as a Board Member of the Alexandria Area Soccer Association.

MEDIATION/ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE. Mr. Dolan has provided mediation and arbitration services since 1987. Mr. Dolan frequently serves as a mediator or arbitrator chosen by both plaintiffs and defendants to attempt to resolve disputes, including, auto accidents, construction, contract and marital dissolution cases. Mr. Dolan has been listed by the Minnesota Court Administrator on the Roster of Qualified Neutrals. Mr. Dolan serves as a Family Law Appellate Mediator for the Minnesota Court of Appeals. Mr. Dolan has been recognized as a Leading Minnesota Lawyer for Criminal Law and Alternate Dispute Resolution.

Education

JD 1983 cum laude, Hamline University;
BA 1980 cum laude, Hamline University (Pi Gamma Mu Departmental Honors in Philosophy).

Admitted

1983 Minnesota;
1986 U.S. Dist. Ct. (MN).

Employment History

Partner 1987-present, Thornton, Reif, Dolan, Bowen & Klecker, P.A.;
Assistant Public Defender, Douglas County, Minnesota 1986-1990;
Assistant Douglas County Attorney 1984-1986.

Professional Associations

Douglas County Bar Assn. 1983-present (President 1995-1996; Treas. 1994-1995);
CLE Coordinator 1995-1999;
Seventh Judicial Bar Assn. 1983-present;
Minnesota State Bar Assn. 1983-present;
Legal Services of Northwest Minnesota 1986-Present.

Representative Clients

Mr. Dolan represents individuals involved in criminal matters and family law matters, wrongfully injured persons and government officials. Mr. Dolan also represents individual businesses, including service organizations in connection with employment matters. He also serves as a neutral in many types of cases, including family law, personal injury litigation, no-fault arbitration, general business litigation and employment law. Most of his ADR practice occurs as a result of being chosen by parties to serve as a neutral. Mr. Dolan also receives frequent appointments by the District Court to serve in the capacity of a mediator or arbitrator.

Community Involvement

Douglas County Developmental Achievement Center 1994-2000 (Treasurer, President);
St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Council (past President);
St. Mary's Building Committee;
St. Mary's Catholic Finance Committee;
Alexandria Area Soccer Association (Club Administrator);
Sports Coach.