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BIOGRAPHY

Mr. Burke's practice focuses on complex litigation, with primary emphasis on commercial, business, products liability, personal injury, transportation and civil litigation. He has been the lead counsel among the defense group representing product manufacturers in asbestos personal injury litigation in Idaho, Utah, Wyoming and Montana. His trial experience covers a broad range of substantive law including employment, medical malpractice, construction, products liability, transportation accidents and commercial and business transactions litigated in numerous state and federal trial and appellate courts. He has experience in class action litigation and alternative dispute resolution. He also has significant experience in appellate practice.

Mr. Burke has served on the Idaho Federal Court panels of approved arbitrators and mediators and on the Idaho Supreme Court panel of approved mediators.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Academic

University of Idaho College of Law (J.D., 1977)

Stanford University (B.A. History, 1973)

Professional

Martindale Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ Rated

Best Lawyers in America, 2005-Present

Mountain States Super Lawyers, 2007-Present

Super Lawyer Honoree, 2011

Best Lawyers recognition, Commercial Litigation and Personal Injury Litigation Defendants, 2015

ASSOCIATIONS

Professional

Idaho State Bar - Litigation Section

American Bar Association - Litigation Section

Defense Research Institute

Idaho Association of Defense Counsel



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PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation, Trials & Appeals

Business & Commercial Litigation

Product Liability Litigation

Personal Injury

Medical Malpractice & Hospital

Negligence

LICENSED/ADMITTED

Idaho

U.S. Dist. Court, Dist. of Idaho

U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

Legislative Staff, U.S. Senator Frank Church (1973-74)

Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science, Boise State University, 1991-92, teaching Civil Procedure, Evidence

Community

Leadership Boise (1985-86) Vice President (1986-97) President (1988-89)

Board of Directors, Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce (1988-89)

Board of Directors, Ballet Idaho (1996-2000)

Board of Directors, The Frank Church Institute, Boise State University (2010-present)

Youth soccer, baseball and basketball coach (1993-99)

PRESENTATIONS

"Taking and Defending Effective Depositions in Idaho," Lorman Education Services Seminar, 2003

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Castorena v. General Electric, et al., 238 P.3d 209 (2010)

In re Universe Life Ins. Co., 144 Idaho 751, 171 P.3d 242 Idaho, (2007)

Regjovich v. First Western Investments, 997 P.2d 615 (2000)

Lankford v. Nicholson Manufacturing Co., 126 Idaho 187, 879 P.2d 1120 (1994)

Bunt v. City of Garden City, 118 Idaho 427, 797 P.2d 135 (Idaho 1990)

Burt v. Justices of the Idaho Supreme Court, 835 F.2d 1434 (9th Cir. 1987); Cert. denied, 490 U.S. 1075, 109 S.Ct. 2087 (1989)

Adams v. Armstrong World Industries, Inc., et al., 847 F.2d 589 (9th Cir. 1988);

Adams v. Armstrong World Industries, Inc., et al., 664 F. Supp. 463 (D. Idaho 1987)

Meyer, Belisle, & Jenkins v. Armstrong World Industries, Inc., et al., 820 F.2d 329 (9th Cir. 1987)

Meyer, Belisle, & Jenkins v. Armstrong World Industries, Inc., et al., 643 F. Supp. 17 (D. Idaho 1985)

In Re Complaint of Diehl, 610 F. Supp. 223 (D. Idaho 1985)

Adams v. Armstrong World Industries, Inc., et al., 596 F. Supp. 1407 (D. Idaho 1984)

Sunshine Mining Company v. Allendale Mutual Insurance Company, et al., 105 Idaho 133, 666 P.2d 1144 (1983); 107 Idaho 25, 684 P.2d 1002 (1984)

American Tritacali, Inc. v. Nytco Services, Inc. and Franz, 664 F.2d 1136 (9th Cir. 1981)