

CHRISTINA L. (TALAMONTI) NECHIPORCHIK

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Attorney leveraging 10+ years of experience in the healthcare and insurance industry to help companies and insureds effectively manage liability and coverage litigation, compliance matters, assess areas of risk, and improve processes. Energetic team leader utilizing communication and analytical skills to design and implement insurance and claims solutions to insureds and clients. Creative problem solver relying on analytical thinking, research, and experience as subject matter expert. Adept at mentoring and teaching colleagues on nuanced issues.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Insurance	Cyber laws and policies
Professional liability and general liability claims	Healthcare and long-term care industry
Advising Board of Directors	Enterprise risk management
Employment law and issues	Captive insurance and alternative risk structure
Coverage issues and disputes	Contracts

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chelsea Rhone, LLC/HealthCap, Ann Arbor, MI **05/2016-03/2023**
Associate General Counsel

Primary responsibility for case management for all claims, including supervising TPA and outside counsel. Assisted General Counsel with regulatory and corporate matters and advising Board of Directors and stakeholders.

- Managed and directed TPA and outside counsel; advised on strategy and set final reserves.
- Analyzed claims for coverage issues, drafted coverage letters, oversaw coverage litigation.
- Advised on risk management and compliance/regulatory issues relating to state and federal laws.
- Drafted Section 125 Plan and advised on other employment issues such as FMLA, FLSA, ADA
- Reviewed and drafted a variety of contracts, such as partnership, vendor, SaaS, employment, NDAs
- Drafted policy forms, including general liability, professional liability, cyber, media/legal reimbursement, errors & omissions, and adverse judgement.
- Worked with underwriting to advise on claim values, predictions and strategy.
- Partnered with the Risk Management team to develop policies and procedures on a variety of matters to highlight best practices, including document retention, employment practices, data management
- Oversaw litigation directly involving Chelsea Rhone including E&O and breach of contract claims

University of Michigan, Ross School of Business, Ann Arbor, MI **01/2022-present**
Lecturer

Teach business law classes to MBA and Master of Management students. Classes included business law, ethics, and entrepreneur law

- Design curriculum and syllabus implementing various pedagogical methods
- Draft and grade assessment materials, including quizzes, case analysis, final exams
- Teach classes that ranged from one hour to two hours in length

McVey & Parsky, LLC, Chicago, IL **02/2015-04/2016**
Associate Attorney

Represented self-insureds, small businesses, and large retailers (approx \$150B) in coverage litigation. Managed an extensive caseload (over 50 active cases) and oversaw all local counsel in region covering the Midwest and Northeast (17 states). Assisted clients with managing and litigating claims at the appellate level.

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- Defended retail stores and distributors in product liability actions and premises liability actions.
- Negotiate settlement and confidentiality agreements, including agreements protecting proprietary information for litigation.
- Defended employers and management in discrimination, retaliation, vicarious liability litigation and other claims arising under the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Illinois Human Rights Act, Indiana Civil Rights Law, FLSA, and other local employment and discrimination laws in state and federal courts.
- Advised clients on risk management issues and assist with reviewing and revising contracts, including cyber risks.

Kelley Kronenberg, P.A., Chicago, IL

07/2013-02/2015

Associate Attorney

Recruited by managing partner (former Wilson Elser partner) to join newly opened Chicago office. In addition to handling a full caseload, managed office expense budget. Oversaw an administrative staff of three and a law clerk.

- Defended government contractors and insurers in Defense Base Act and workers' compensation litigation.
 - Advised on strategy and took depositions of claimants, physicians, and expert witnesses.
 - Determined litigation strategy, including managing discovery and preparing motions for summary decision before the Office of Administrative Law Judges (OALJ).
 - Assisted with preparing appeals to the Benefits Review Board.
- Defended employers and management in workers' compensation claims.
- Advised clients on best practices and policies for employment and personnel related issues under FLSA and FMLA. Represented clients in mediations before the EEOC, IDHR, CCCHR, and IHRC.
- Represented and advised insurers in coverage actions focusing on D&O, EPL, E&O, and CGL policies.
- Drove the design and implementation of a firm-wide training and mentorship program for new associates.

Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker, Chicago, IL

08/2010-07/2013

Associate Attorney (2011 – 2013)

Partnered with attorneys on a variety of cases (including class actions) related to employment law, premise liability, and insurance coverage. Drafted and researched legal issues for appellate briefs submitted in the First, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, and Eleventh Circuits. Took and attended depositions.

- Represented employers in employment discrimination cases.
- Defended corporations for alleged violations of FMLA, harassment, and false advertising claims.
- Defended and advised insurers in coverage actions relating to D&O and E&O policies.
- Assisted clients with breach response and provided defense in cyber/data privacy litigation.
- Drafted employee handbooks and recommended best practices on the hiring and firing of personnel, social media, and data retention.

Law Clerk (2010 – 2011)

Wrote memos analyzing and summarizing research on Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin employment discrimination and premise liability laws. Summarized and analyzed medical records and deposition transcripts. Audited other law firms' bills and provided reports to clients. Prepared trial exhibits.

LICENSURE

Bar Admissions

Michigan State Bar, Illinois State Bar, Indiana State Bar

Admitted Jurisdictions

United States Supreme Court, Northern District of Illinois, Northern & Southern Districts of Indiana

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EDUCATION

Valparaiso University School of Law, Valparaiso, IN

- JD (2011); full academic scholarship, all three years
- Moot Court Society, Justice of Judging and Member, 2009-2011
- Trial Advocacy Member, 2009-2011
- Secretary, Valparaiso Real Property Law Student Group, 2009-2011
- 1L & 2L Faculty Representative, Student Bar Association

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

- BA in English and in History with Secondary Education certification in both (2007)
- Member of Kappa Delta Pi, Education Honor Society (former president and conference chair)
- Outstanding Graduate Award 2007 of the Martha Cook Building, voted by peers

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

Presentations

- Litigation Trends, including COVID and Immunity Defenses, Leading Age of Nebraska Virtual Spring Mini Conference, March 17-18, 2021
- Serving Residents' Psychosocial Needs and also on Social Media Policies at Oklahoma Leading Age Conference March 10, 2020
- Oklahoma Leading Age Annual Conference on Medical Marijuana, March 12-13, 2019
- Sexual Intimacy and Balancing Capacity and Residents' Rights at the Indiana Health Care Association/Indiana Center for Assisted Living Annual Convention and Expo, August 2, 2018
- Sexual Intimacy at Regional Meeting of Leading Age California, Fresno County, June 25, 2018
- Sexual Intimacy at Regional Meeting of Leading Age California, Orange County, April 13, 2018
- Falls and Managing and Defending Care Provided, WALA Spring 2017 Conference
- Presented Course on Risk Management for the CEU Institute on November 10, 2014 outlining the path and trends of risk management from traditional risk management to advanced risk management addressing compliance issues and initiatives, recent case law, and best practices.
- Prepared and served as co-presenter for EPL Seminar focusing on social media and common pitfalls for employers to avoid, presented September 18, 2012.

Teaching, Advising & Coaching Activities

- Assistant Coach, Divine Child High School Forensics Team (September 2017- December 2019)
- Attorney Essay Advisor for Illinois Bar Course, Themis Bar Review (May 2012-February 2016)
- Coach, Labor & Employment Trial Team, John Marshall School of Law (September-December 2014)
- Adjunct Professor, Valparaiso Trial Advocacy, Valparaiso, IN (September 2013-May 2014)
- Assistant Coach, Valparaiso Moot Court Society, Valparaiso, IN (February-March 2012)

Publications

- "Spring Cleaning for Applications: Background and Credit Checks," THE VOICE, Vol. 13 Issue 20 (May 21, 2014)
- "Defending a Claim Under the Defense Base Act: The First Steps," coauthor with Kent A. Rogers, THE WHISPER, Vol. 10 Issue 2 (Feb. 28, 2014)

Professional & Community Affiliations

- Defense Research Institute
- Professional Liability Underwriting Society
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Junior League of Ann Arbor
- Martha Cook Board of Governors