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### Biography

Michelle is a certified specialist in insurance coverage law and represents insurers in complex commercial disputes around the country. Our clients routinely call on Michelle for coverage advice and analysis on matters involving CGL, professional liability, E&O/D&O, EPLI and excess/umbrella coverage products. With nearly 20-years of experience, Michelle has been involved in litigated cases addressing personal and advertising injuries, property damages/construction defects, employment claims, civil rights violations, mass torts and environmental contamination matters, among other disputes.

A frequent speaker, writer and CLE instructor, Michelle was recently called upon to co-author a chapter for the well-known treatise, *New Appleman's on Insurance Law Library Edition*. Her contribution is Chapter 34: Public Entity Liability Policies, which is available on Lexis/Nexis.

Before joining our firm, Michelle practiced in Ohio and defended small to medium businesses in personal injury, employment and commercial cases. She is the only non-Ohio based attorney who is certified by the Ohio State Bar Association as a specialist in the field of insurance coverage law.



### Education

J.D. and M.S.S.A. Case Western  
Reserve University School of Law,  
1996

B.A. (Sociology) Ohio University, 1992

### Bar Admissions

Ohio  
Illinois

## Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois

## Memberships

Chicago Bar Association

Ohio State Bar Association - Certified  
Specialist in Insurance Coverage Law

## Awards

Ohio State Bar Association Certified  
Specialist

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## Matters of Note

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*Shultz v. Atlantic Mut. Ins. Co.*,  
2006 WL 2052222 (Ill.App. 1 Dist.)

*Atlantic Mut. Ins. Co. v. Terk Technologies, Corp.*,  
309 A.D.2d 22, 763 N.Y.S.2d 56 (2003)