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Biography

Celeste Hill is a seasoned counselor and trial attorney with a broad experience handling complex commercial matters, including the representation of domestic and foreign markets in major property insurance disputes and the prosecution and defense of liability claims in the construction and products liability fields. She is a shareholder in the Chicago office of Clausen Miller P.C. where she has practiced since 1986. She routinely represents commercial property insurers in bad faith litigation. Her litigation experience also includes the handling of banking and intellectual property disputes.

Celeste is admitted to practice before the Illinois Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois and the Eastern District of Wisconsin. She has tried cases to verdict in several venues and has appeared *pro hac vice* in litigation throughout the United States. She has made presentations and written articles for a variety of organizations and publications in the commercial property insurance industry, including *The Brief*, a publication of the Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section of the ABA.

Celeste graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1982, where she was an Edmund James Scholar and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. In 1986, she received her Juris Doctor degree from Northwestern University. She is a member of the American and Chicago Bar Associations and the International Association of Defense Counsel. She is currently Vice-Chair of the American Bar Association Property Insurance Law Committee of the Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section. She is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, an honor bestowed on less than one percent of American lawyers.

Celeste has an AV®Preeminent™ rating with Martindale-Hubbell, indicating the highest ranking in legal ability and ethical standards as determined by her peers in the legal community. She has also been listed in the Law Bulletin Publishing Company's Leading Lawyers Network as an Illinois Leading Lawyer.

Education

J.D. Northwestern University School of
Law, 1986

A.B. University of Illinois, 1982

Bar Admissions

Illinois

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

U.S. District Court, Northern District of
Illinois, Trial Bar

U.S. District Court, Central District of
Illinois

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of
Wisconsin

Memberships

American Bar Association- Vice Chair,
Property Insurance Law Committee

Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

Chicago Bar Association- Former
Member, Judicial Evaluation
Committee

International Association of Defense
Counsel

University of Illinois President's
Council

Awards

Martindale Hubbell AV® rating

Leading Lawyers, 2020

Distinguished Alumni Award -
University of Illinois - Department of
Psychology - May 2014