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Sam Stalker focuses his practice on the representation of insurance carriers in coverage matters involving professional liability, employment practices liability, and commercial general liability. He also represents engineers and architects in litigated matters. Sam is an experienced litigator, handling all aspects of coverage litigation, including matters involving the interpretation of policies, rescission, reformation, breach of contract, and bad faith. He also advises insurers in all aspects of coverage analysis.

Sam earned his law degree from Loyola University Chicago School of Law. He received his B.A. from the University of Michigan.

Practice Areas

- Insurance Coverage
- Professional Liability Insurance Coverage

Industry Sectors

- Insurance

Education

- Loyola University Chicago School of Law, J.D., 2009
- University of Michigan, B.A., 2006

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court -- Southern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court -- Southern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court -- Colorado
- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of North Dakota
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Wisconsin

Experience

Won summary judgment on behalf of our insurance company client, with the court finding no duty to defend or indemnify a manufacturer seeking coverage under a Commercial Auto Policy for a multi-million dollar bodily injury claim stemming from severe and permanent injury to an independent contractor tractor-trailer driver sustained in the process of manually tarping a load of steel pipes at the manufacturer's facility. In granting summary judgment, the court accepted our argument that the manufacturer was not "using" the covered vehicle at the time of accident merely because the tractor-trailer was on its property and carrying its product. The court therefore ruled that coverage was not triggered under the provision of the policy defining as an insured anyone "using" a covered auto.

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