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Karl A. Schulz is an experienced litigator who serves clients in the insurance industry. In particular, Karl has experience in first party property claims and is widely published on the subject. Karl also serves clients in the transportation industry, including litigation of property damage and personal injury claims, as well as conducting internal investigations.

Karl earned his bachelor's degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Southern California, and his Master of Public Administration from California State University, Northridge. He earned his law degree from the University of Houston Law Center. During law school, Karl was a staff editor of the *Environmental and Energy Law and Policy Journal*.

As an active member of the community, Karl leads the Houston office's charitable activities.

Experience

Secured summary judgment in favor of our insurance company client after successfully moving for a mistrial in a matter centering on a construction contractor's allegation that he was infected with malaria, and subsequently went blind, because the client's insured failed to provide him with proper medication. At trial, the judge agreed with our contention that the plaintiff's expert witnesses were not competent or sufficiently reliable to opine on the key medical issues in the case, and declared a mistrial when they did so regardless of the judge's limiting instruction. We then successfully moved for summary judgment based on the plaintiff's lack of competent medical evidence.

Represented Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's of London in a suit brought by Woodcrest Enterprises, Inc. et al. in the 342nd Judicial District Court of Tarrant County, Texas. Tigner and Schulz achieved summary judgment after creative cross-examination yielded admissions from the insured that the damage to the used property had no fair market value. Tigner convinced the insured that Underwriters' primary defense was that there was no coverage because the insured had discarded the used property and in response to such line of questioning the insured claimed that the used property had no fair market value, an admission that doomed Woodcrest's claim for replacement value.

Practice Areas

- Insurance Coverage
- Transportation & Logistics Litigation

Industry Sectors

- Insurance

Education

- University of Houston Law Center, J.D., 2007
- California State U.–Northridge, M.P.A., 2003
- University of Southern California, B.A., *cum laude*, 1999

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court -- Western District of Texas

Awards & Honors

- American Bar Association Military Pro Bono Outstanding Service Award

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