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Thomas Klosowski is a trial lawyer who represents appliance manufacturers, component manufacturers, gas companies, service personnel, and individuals in lawsuits arising out of explosions/fires and other product liability incidents.

Representative Experience :

VFW Post 248 v. Scotsman, Inc., et al., LeSeur County District Court, State of Minnesota (represented component solenoid manufacturer in a gas fire matter resulting in directed verdict for defendant).

Polkoski v. General Electric, et al., United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin (represented thermal relay manufacturer in an electrical fire matter resulting in jury verdict for defendant).

R & R Properties v. Celotex Corporation, et al., LaCrosse County Circuit Court, State of Wisconsin (represented insulation manufacturer in product liability matter that resulted in defense verdict).

Van DeGejuchte v. White-Rodgers, et al., Grundy County Circuit Court, State of Illinois (represented gas component manufacturer in a wrongful death matter resulting in jury verdict for defendant).

Farley v. Pittsburgh Comfort Tech., et al., Allegheny Court of Common Pleas, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (represented manufacturer of thermostat for gas furnace in a wrongful death matter resulting in dismissal of matter at trial).

Hendrickson v. Maytag, United States District Court, District of Minnesota (represented refrigerator manufacturer in an electrical fire matter resulting in summary judgment for defendant).

Tobias v. Emerson Electric Co., United States District Court, Western District of Oklahoma (represented gas control manufacturer in a gas fire matter resulting in dismissal of claim at trial).

Morales, et al. v. Pearman Oil and LP Gas, et al., Ellis County District Court, State of Texas (represented gas control manufacturer in a LP gas explosion matter involving three fatalities resulting in dismissal of plaintiffs claims prior to trial).

Fried, et al. v. Brass Craft Manufacturing, et al., Jackson County District Court, State of Missouri (represented water heater control manufacturer in scald case involving a fatality resulting in dismissal of plaintiffs claims prior to trial).

Easter, et al. v. Evcon Industries, Inc., et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of Oklahoma (represented manufacturer of furnace gas control in an LP gas explosion matter involving multiple fatalities resulting in dismissal of plaintiffs claims).

Jarnigan v. Fisher Controlss International Inc., et al., Polk County District Court, State of Iowa (represented manufacturer of LP gas regulator in a personal injury matter resulting in summary judgment appellate decision reported at supra, 573 N.W.2d 34).

Published Works and Presentations:

- Carbon Monoxide Dangers and the Duty to Warn, Hennepin Lawyer, January, 2008
- Experts-for-Hire, Bench and Bar of Minnesota, July, 1997
- Gas Retailers Duty to Inspect and Warn, National Propane Gas Association Southeastern Convention and International Expo, March, 2008
- Duty to Warn Regarding the Hazards of LP Gas, Minnesota Propane Gas Association, August, 2007
- Carbon Monoxide and the Duty to Warn, National Propane Gas

- Association Southeastern Convention and International Expo, April, 2007
- Product Liability Primer, Ecolab Safety Symposium, September, 2007
- "The Use of Expert Witnesses at Trial," Products Liability Mega Conference II, American Bar Association, October, 1998
- Products Liability – 1998, Minnesota State Bar, April, 1998
- Direct Examination of the Engineering Expert, MILE, 1997
- "Experts–for–Hire," Minnesota Bench & Bar, July, 1997

Professional Recognition :

Named a "Super Lawyer" by *Minnesota Law & Politics*

Memberships :

Defense Research Institute, 1995 – Present
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Court Admissions :

State of Minnesota 1986
U. S. District Court, District of Minnesota 1986
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit 1988
U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin 2000
U.S. District Court District of Colorado – 1998

Civic Involvement :

Volunteer Lawyers Network