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## TIMOTHY R. SCHUPP – MANAGING PARTNER

Mr. Schupp is a managing partner and trial lawyer at Flynn|Gaskins|Bennett LLP. He has practiced exclusively as a trial lawyer, concentrating on products liability, commercial litigation, complex insurance coverage and aviation, for over 25 years.

Representative experience of his product liability practice includes service as national trial counsel for a consumer appliance manufacturer. Tim has successfully defended product manufacturers at trial in cases involving catastrophic personal injury, significant property damage and wrongful death. Tim has represented consumer appliance manufacturers, manufacturers of industrial equipment, medical device manufacturers, manufacturers of agricultural products, manufacturers of athletic equipment and HVAC manufacturers. Tim has also counseled clients on issues involving the Consumer Product Safety Commission, including helping clients with product recalls.

Tim's commercial litigation practice includes claims under the Uniform Commercial Code, non-compete agreements and breach of contract claims. His product liability practice provides a unique perspective to commercial disputes involving product performance and warranty claims.

Schupp's insurance coverage practice includes both coverage opinions and coverage litigation. He has handled complex cases involving D&O Policies, E&O Policies, Professional Liability Policies and Financial Institution Policies.

Tim's aviation practice involves the defense of aircraft and component part manufacturers, FBOs, A&P mechanics and pilots in accident cases. Tim is also liability counsel to the public entity that owns and operates the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport, and the reliever airports in the seven county Minneapolis/St. Paul metropolitan area.

Tim practiced with Faegre & Benson until 1992, when he joined Gartner & Schupp, P.A. as a founding member and managing partner. In 1999, they were joined by Robert Bennett to form a new trial firm of Gartner, Bennett & Schupp, P.C. In January 2002 Gartner, Bennett & Schupp, P.C. merged with Flynn & Gaskins, L.L.P. to become Flynn|Gaskins|Bennett, LLP. Tim has been a managing partner with Flynn|Gaskins|Bennett, LLP since joining the firm.

### Representative Experience :

*Pore v. National Presto Industries, Inc.*, 1994 U.S. App. LEXIS 30791 (6th Cir. 1994) (unpublished opinion) Affirm judgment on general verdict for appliance manufacturer

*Erpelding v. Skipperliner Indus.*, 2002 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 16990 (D. Minn. 2003) Exclusion of expert testimony and summary judgment

*Foster v. Metropolitan Airports Com.*, 914 F.2d 1076 (8th Cir. 1990)

*Cargill v. Natl Union Fire Ins. Co.*, 2004 Minn. App. LEXIS 33 (January 13, 2004) (unpublished opinion)

Summary judgment awarded to insurer under Crime Loss Policy, holding no coverage existed under the policy and coverage was excluded by the language of the policy.

*Gerhard v. Bell Helicopter Textron*, 759 F.Supp. 552 (D. Minn. 1991) Summary judgment in favor of helicopter manufacturer

*Breech Transp. v. Critical Care Servs.*, 2001 Minn. App. LEXIS 1129 (October 9, 2001) (unpublished opinion) Defense of hanger owner on third-party beneficiaries claim

### Professional Recognition :

Tim's peers in the Minnesota bar have repeatedly elected him a Super Lawyer, since its inception in 1998. He was among the Top 100 vote getters in the state in 2005.

Tim was inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers in October 2007.

**Memberships :**

[American College of Trial Lawyers](#)

American Bar Association

Minnesota Bar Association

Hennepin County Bar Association

Defense Research Institute

Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association

**Court Admissions :**

State of Minnesota

United States District Court, District of Minnesota

United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan

United States District Court, District of North Dakota

United States Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

**Civic Involvement :**

Member of the Basilica of St. Mary