



ASSOCIATE

Katelyn M. DePrekel



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An associate in the firm's Insurance Defense group, Katelyn DePrekel handles a docket that includes first-party no-fault, third-party automobile negligence, insurance fraud, and other matters.

Katelyn enjoys the variety that litigation offers, the daily demands of each case, and the opportunity to think fast on her feet in the courtroom. She strives to be a trusted resource to her clients, ready to tell them what they need to know about an issue or case when they need to know it.

After receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, *cum laude*, from Central Michigan University, Katelyn earned her Juris Doctor from Wayne State University Law School. She gained practical experience outside the classroom as a student attorney with the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Project, appearing at administrative hearings and arguing an appeal in Wayne County Circuit Court. She also clerked for a defense firm during her final year, eventually joining the firm as an associate after passing the bar exam.

Before joining Zausmer, Katelyn was Field Counsel with Liberty Mutual Insurance, where she gained first-chair trial experience and managed a substantial caseload of no-fault and automobile negligence matters, while also supervising other attorneys and paralegals.

Outside the office, Katelyn is a self-professed foodie and avid cook, and she and her husband brew their own craft beer.

PRACTICE AREAS

Insurance Defense

EDUCATION

Wayne State University Law School,

Juris Doctor, 2014
Board of Governors Merit Scholarship
Student Attorney,
Michigan Unemployment Insurance Project

Central Michigan University,

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, *cum laude*, 2011
Minors in History and Legal Studies
Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority
Rho Lambda National Leadership Recognition Society

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Michigan
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan

PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

State Bar of Michigan, *Insurance & Indemnity Law, Litigation, Negligence Law Sections and Young Lawyers Section*

VOLUNTEER & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Board of Directors, Alpha Sigma Tau Housing Corporation

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