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# BRENT W. BEECHER

### **OF COUNSEL**

## PRACTICE EMPHASIS

Brent excels at taking complicated problems and making them accessible for his clients, jurors and judges. His M.B.A. training allows him to assist clients in making decisions that are truly in their best financial interests.

Brent focuses his practice on litigating a wide array of issues, focusing on Trusts and Estates, Business Disputes, Insurance Coverage and Insurance Bad Faith issues.

Brent has delivered outstanding results for clients ranging from multi-million dollar jury verdicts when representing plaintiffs to defense verdicts when representing defendants. He has experience trying cases in multiple Washington counties, and has achieved excellent outcomes in all three divisions of the Washington Court of Appeals, at the Washington Supreme Court, and in the Federal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Although many cases settle before trial, Brent's deep experience at all levels of the legal system allows him to provide his clients with intelligent advice about whether to compromise their claims early or press forward to a judgment in court.

His insurance practice is unusual in that he represents both insurance policy holders and insurance companies, depending on the case, providing valve to his clients with insights into both perspectives. This experience allows him to get to the real issues in an effective, efficient manner. Working for policy holders, Brent has obtained millions of dollars in jury verdicts and settlements for his clients, often including a recovery of his attorney fees, from insurers that wrongfully denied claims. Sometimes he convinces Insurance Companies to reverse course on a denied claim without resort to the legal system, but when a lawsuit is necessary, Brent does not hesitate to go to trial and through the appellate process to obtain the best result for his clients.

Brent also provides consultation to clients shopping for insurance policies, providing risk management analysis, and the tools to enable clients to make intelligent decisions by weighing the cost of the premiums against the protection provided.



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## BRENT W. BEECHER

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## EDUCATION

### University of Colorado

- Juris Doctor, 2001
- M.B.A., 2001

## Southwestern University, Buenos Aires, Argentina

• Jurdicial Extern, 1998

#### Bowdoin College

• A.B., Physics, Philosophy & Romance Languages, summa cum laude, 1997

## REPRESENTATIVE CASES

- Australia Unlimited v. Hartford Ins. Co. Result: Obtained \$5.4 million judgment for my client as a result of bad faith claims handling by Hartford.
- Mutual of Enumclaw v. Gregg Roofing Result: Obtained reversal of \$1.5
   million jury verdict against my client, in published Court of Appeals decision.
- Mutual of Enumclaw v. T&G Construction Result: Obtained reversal of \$3.3 million judgment against my client at the Washington Supreme Court.
- Barton v. Linvog Result: Prevailed over State of Washington's claim for return of \$3.6 million payment, at the Washington State Supreme Court.

## PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC

#### Speaking Engagements:

- King County Bar Association Cyber Insurance Coverage for Business: 2018
- Yakima County Bar Association Insurance Coverage for Agricultural Claims:
   2017
- MyLaw CLE Insurance Coverage for Intellectual Property Disputes: 2013
- Washington State Bar Association Insurance Coverage for Intellectual Property Disputes: 2012
- Lorman Bad Faith Insurance Seminars: 2007, 2008, 2010

## Publications:

 LexisNexus Practice Guide - Washington Insurance Litigation: Excess and Umbrella Policies (2015)

#### Professional Recognition:

- Martindale Hubble: AV Preeminent
- Named to "Best Lawyers" by Best Lawyers in America® in the practice area of Litigation Insurance, 2024 ed.
- Washington Law and Politics and Super Lawyers Magazines, Super Lawyer 2023

Brent is also fluent in Spanish.



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