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A seasoned litigator and trial attorney, Kathy helps clients protect and preserve their interests in complex commercial, business, health care, fiduciary and trust and estates controversies.

Kathy has tried cases to conclusion in federal and state courts and before arbitrators. Recognizing that client interests require immediate action, Kathy's practice includes temporary restraining and injunctive orders. She regularly represents majority and minority owners, officers and directors in intracompany conflicts and helps businesses safeguard their trade secrets and intellectual property from improper use.

Within fiduciary disputes, Kathy represents professional and individual trustees, estate administrators and beneficiaries in probate courts and in other civil litigation. Kathy also counsels employers on mitigating risks related to violations of employment agreements, including noncompetes.

Services

- Litigation
- Health Law
- Financial Services Industry
- Fiduciary Litigation
- Employee Benefits & Compensation
- Title Insurance

Before Fox Rothschild

Prior to joining Fox Rothschild, Kathy was a partner at Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly LLP, and before that, at Rider Bennett, LLP. While in law school, she was an editor for the *William Mitchell Law Review*.

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Kathy participates in the Tubman Safety Project, which provides pro bono legal representation to low-income victims of domestic violence seeking protection orders.

She also served as an adjunct professor of business law at the College of St. Catherine.

Teaching & Writing

Kathy is regularly requested to teach continuing legal education classes on a wide range of substantive and procedural topics:

Minnesota CLE

- Contracts: Arbitration Provisions
- Vital Business Contracts
- The Art of the Business Trial
- Remedies and Damages in Commercial Litigation

The Business Law Institute

- Making Arbitration and Mediation Work – Practical Drafting and Strategy Tips

Minnesota State Bar Association CLE

- The Avera Marshall Case: What Happened and What's Next for Hospitals and Physicians
- Duty To Mitigate and Recovery of Attorney's Fees
- Understanding the Duty To Mitigate
- When a Contract Goes Bad But Both Parties Still Need Each Other
- How the New Rules Affect the Flow of Cases Through the System
- New Minnesota Civil Rules
- Equity Holder Agreements

Minnesota State Judges Association

- New Minnesota Civil Rules

Academy of Certified Trial Lawyers of Minnesota

- New Minnesota Civil Rules

The 2012 Civil Litigator's Short Course

- Intersection of Litigation and Arbitration

Ramsey County Bar Association CLE

- A Practical Guide To Bringing and Defending Temporary Restraining Orders & Injunctions in Minnesota State and Federal Court

William Mitchell Women in Law CLE

- A Matter of Gender: From the 'Willmar 8' to the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act and Beyond

Kathy is also the co-author of the Equity Holder Agreements chapter of the "Minnesota Deskbook on Corporations and LLCs."

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin

Education

- William Mitchell College of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1996)
- University of St. Thomas (B.A.)

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- Hennepin County Bar Association
- Douglas K. Amdahl Inn of Court
 - Member since 2000
 - President 2018-2019

Board of Trustees

- William Mitchell College of Law
 - Alumni Board 2008-2014
 - President 2012-2014
 - Board of Trustees Member 2012-2014

Honors & Awards

- Named to the list of "Power 30: Business Litigation" by *Minnesota Lawyer* (2021-2025)
- Selected to the list of attorneys ranked by *Chambers USA* for Minnesota Litigation: General Commercial (2023-2025)
- Named a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation (2019)
- Selected to the "Best Lawyers in America" list for Commercial Litigation (2021-2026), Litigation - Trusts and Estates (2019-2026) and Health Care Law (2023-2025) in Minneapolis, MN by *Best Lawyers*
- Selected to the list of "Super Lawyers" for Business Litigation in Minnesota (2010-2025)
- Selected to the "Top 50 Women Minnesota Super Lawyers" list (2025)
- Selected to the "Super Lawyers - Top Women Lawyers" list for Business Litigation in Minnesota (2014-2021)
- Named to the "North Star Lawyers" list by The Minnesota State Bar Association (2012, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2020-2021, 2023)
- Recipient, Tubman Safety Project Attorney of the Year (2004, 2005)
- Martindale-Hubbell® "AV" rated
- Recipient, *Mitchell Hamline Law Review's* Wallace-Lerner Award for Excellence in Leadership

