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Mike has 30 years of trial and appellate experience at all levels of state and federal courts. He has handled an extremely broad range of litigation and currently focuses on the defense of class actions, employment matters, medical liability and regulatory matters, and insurance disputes. Before joining Bennett Bigelow & Leedom, Mike was senior counsel in the Tort Claims Division of the Washington Attorney General's Office, where he was responsible for defending liability claims against a variety of state agencies and officials. Mike is a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

SIGNIFICANT RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Defended Seattle Public School's student assignment policy before the U.S. Supreme Court in *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle Sch. Dist. No. 1*
- Trial counsel in successful challenge to state's administration of mental health system
- Lead counsel in successful challenge to state's imposition of illegal data fee on hospitals
- Lead counsel for state hospital and medical Associations in litigation opposing conversion of Premera Blue Cross to for-profit status
- Successful defense of the University of Washington Law School's admissions program in *Smith v. University of Washington*
- Defeated class certification in employment class action by female faculty at University of Washington in *Oda v. State*
- Trial leading to \$25 million recovery for hospitals in breach of contract suit against state Medicaid agency

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- *Washington Law & Politics* "Super Lawyer"
- Martindale-Hubbell "AV" rated

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- National Association of College and University Attorneys
- Speaker at national meetings on litigation management, gender discrimination and affirmative action litigation
- Member of Editorial Board, NACUA Alerts

- Washington Defense Trial Lawyers
 - Trustee (1995-1998)
 - Chair, Government Liability Section (1996-97)
 - Chair, Technology Committee (1997)
- Washington Society of Healthcare Attorneys
- Defense Research Institute

EDUCATION

Boston University School of Law, J.D.,
cum laude 1978

Clark University, A.B. 1975

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Washington

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

United States District Courts, Western and Eastern Districts of Washington

Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

United States Supreme Court