



Ms. Budde has been a full-time litigator for more than two decades. During this time, she has been involved in litigating a variety of matters in the courts and administrative agencies of Pennsylvania. She is a member of a number of professional organizations, including the Pennsylvania Defense Institute.

Education

- Duquesne University School of Law, 1988, J.D.
Duquesne Law Review, Member, 1986 – 1987
Duquesne Law Review, Associate Recent Decisions Editor, 1987 – 1988
- Rutgers University, 1985, B.A.

Recent Accomplishments

- argued before PA Supreme Court regarding issues related to insurance/limited tort
- obtained numerous summary judgments on behalf of clients regarding limited tort issues and Dead Man's Act
- assisted clients in obtaining guardianship of elderly or disabled individuals in order to protect their person and estate
- successfully defended an automobile insurance company against a \$1.8 million accident case that resulted in a verdict of only \$1,000
- successfully obtained a defense verdict in an automobile accident/limited tort case in Warren County, Pennsylvania, in August of 2009. No post-trial motions or appeal filed.
- successfully obtained a defense verdict in an automobile case in Erie County in October of 2009. No post-trial motions or appeal filed.

Speaking Engagements

- Frequent speaker at firm Litigation & Workers' Compensation Seminar

Practice Concentration

- § Insurance Defense
- § Litigation
- § Civil Practice
- § Insurance Coverage

Firm Involvement

- § Shareholder
- § Litigation Group, Vice Chair

Admissions & Certifications

- § Pennsylvania, 1988
- § New Jersey, 1988
- § U.S. District Court Western District of Pennsylvania
- § U.S. Court of Appeals 3d Circuit
- § U.S. District Court District of New Jersey

Professional Affiliations

- § Erie County Bar Association
- § Pennsylvania Bar Association
- § New Jersey State Bar Association
- § Pennsylvania Defense Institute

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