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Scott Williams is a trial attorney and shareholder in HKM's Civil Litigation Group, focusing his practice primarily in the areas of:

- Insurance Related Litigation
- Agent Negligence
- Real Estate Litigation
- Premises Liability
- Appraisal
- Personal Injury
- Construction Litigation
- Employment Litigation
- Business Litigation

Scott handles claims up to and through trial involving personal injury, wrongful death, economic loss, and property damage. Scott has successfully represented clients in state and federal courts in Minnesota as well as in numerous arbitration and appraisal proceedings.

He is admitted to practice in all Minnesota state and federal courts. He was selected for inclusion in Minnesota Super Lawyers® – Rising Stars Edition, in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2017.

Scott is a member of the Minnesota, Hennepin County, and Ramsey County Bar Associations and the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association (MDLA).

Scott received his B.A., summa cum laude, All-College Honors, from St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, where he was a member of the Honors Program and graduated with Departmental Distinction in English. Scott received his J.D., cum laude, from the University of Minnesota Law School, where he was a staff member and an editor of the Minnesota Law Review. While in law school, Scott served as a judicial extern to U.S. District Court Chief Magistrate Judge Jonathan G. Lebedoff (D. Minn.) and as a board member of the Minnesota Justice Foundation Student Chapter.

In his free time, Scott enjoys reading, running, watching sports, and spending time with his family.

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## Honors

- *Minnesota Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2017 - 2018*

## Representative Cases

- *Thornberg v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, 638 F. App'x 578 (8th Cir.), *cert. denied*, 137 S. Ct. 495, 196 L. Ed. 2d 410 (2016), *reh'g denied*, 137 S. Ct. 1138, 197 L. Ed. 2d 239 (2017) (affirming district court decision in favor of client)
- *State Farm Fire & Cas. Co. v. Otten*, No. A15-1574, 2016 WL 2946110 (Minn. Ct. App. May 23, 2016) (affirming trial court decision in favor of client)
- *Musse v. Engle*, No. No. A07-0725, 2008 WL 2020444 (Minn. Ct. App. May 13, 2008) (affirming summary judgment dismissal for client)
- *Schumacher v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, No. 15-cv-549 (DWF/HB), 2015 WL 6174537 (D. Minn. Oct. 20, 2015) (summary judgment dismissal for client)
- *Allen v. Klentz*, No. 46-CV-09-813, 2011 WL 2811495 (Minn. Dist. Ct. May 13, 2011) (verdict for clients following jury trial)
- *Lasley v. Sam's Auto Body of Bemidji, Inc.*, No. A11-1846, 2012 WL 3081908 (Minn. Ct. App. July 30, 2012) (affirming district court's summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- *State Farm Fire & Cas. Co. v. Schwich*, 749 N.W.2d 108, 115 (Minn. Ct. App. 2008) (resolving coverage dispute in favor of client on summary judgment)
- *Lange v. State Farm Ins.*, No. A14-0175, 2014 WL 4388915 (Minn. Ct. App. Sept. 8, 2014) (affirming dismissal of case against client)
- *State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co. v. Metropolitan Council, et al.*, 854 N.W.2d 249, 253 (Minn. Ct. App. 2014) (affirming trial court's summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- *Brown v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, No. 12-cv-3058 (DWF/TNL), 2013 WL 12308196 (D. Minn. Oct. 29, 2013) (ruling in favor of client on motion to amend to add extra-contractual claim)

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- *McGuire v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, No. 68-cv-14-178, 2016 WL 1735872 (Minn. Dist. Ct. Feb. 16, 2016) (verdict for client following jury trial)
- *Estelle v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, No. 14-cv-855 (ADM/JSM), 2014 WL 2533763 (D. Minn. June 5, 2014) (dismissing case as a matter of law in favor of client)
- *Hackbarth v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, No. 11-cv-690 (DSD/FLN), 2013 WL 2418095 (D. Minn. June 3, 2013) (ruling for client in post-trial motions)
- *Excel Roofing, Inc. v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, No. 10-cv-299 (DWF/JJK), 2010 WL 5211554 (D. Minn. Dec. 16, 2010) (granting summary judgment in favor of client)
- *Marshall v. Hoglund*, No. A15-0520, 2015 WL 8549187 (Minn. Ct. App. Dec. 14, 2015) (affirming summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- *Thornberg v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, No. 14-cv-122 (SRN/JJK), 2014 WL 6901834 (D. Minn. Dec. 5, 2014) (granting motion to dismiss for client)
- *Hackbarth v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, No. CIV. 11-690 (DSD/FLN), 2013 WL 375543 (D. Minn. Jan. 31, 2013) (verdict for client following jury trial)