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### Main Bio

Robert Kethcart is a business attorney and litigator. He focuses his practice on insurance coverage, real estate and business litigation, and medical and dental liability defense.

In the insurance arena, Robert advises policyholders and carriers with a wide range of issues involving commercial insurance. He has extensive experience with commercial general liability (CGL), commercial auto, commercial property, directors & officers (D&O), errors & omissions (E&O), educators' liability, medical/dental professional liability, excess/umbrella liability, and reps & warranties insurance policies. He litigates coverage disputes and bad faith claims.

Robert represents businesses and individuals in complex business litigation involving real estate title and lending disputes, contract-based claims, and business torts such as fraud, misrepresentation and intentional interference with contract.

Robert has also represented healthcare providers in Arizona for more than a decade. He provides legal advice to dental and medical practices about the various issues that arise during the day-to-day operation of the businesses. He advises dentists in connection with selling and buying dental practices. He also represents healthcare providers in litigation and before state licensing boards.

### Education

- University of Kansas School of Law (J.D.)
  - Order of the Coif
  - Kansas Law Review
  - Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
- University of Colorado (B.S., Business Administration, Management emphasis)

### Professional Memberships & Activities

- Maricopa County Bar Association
- State Bar of Arizona
- American Bar Association
  - Section of Litigation, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee
  - Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section

### Representative Presentations & Publications

- "Ethics Update 2021: Some Significant Changes," Presenter, Snell & Wilmer Virtual CLE Series (June 15, 2021)
- "[Litigation Underway to Force Insurance Companies to Pay for Business Losses Associated with Coronavirus](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (April 2, 2020)
- "[Commercial Impact From the Coronavirus Outbreak – Review Force Majeure and Material Adverse Change Clauses, and Potential Insurance Coverage](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (March 4, 2020)
- "We have a Cyber Insurance Policy. What did we buy?" Presenter, Lockton Law Day (February 2019)
- "[Emails, texts, and HIPAA: 7 rules every dentist needs to know](#)," Author, DentistryIQ (June 29, 2017)
- "Insurance Coverage and Real Estate Projects," Presenter (March 2016)
- "The Role of Insurance in Cyber Security Risk Management," Co-Presenter (October 2014)
- "Recent Developments: Coverage for Responding to Government Investigational Subpoenas," Presenter (March 2014)
- "Coverage under Indemnity and Insurance Clauses in Business Contracts," Presenter (June 2013)
- "CMS Compliance and Open Payments/Sunshine Laws," Co-Presenter, Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry, Annual Clinical Directors SIG Conference (Oct. 2014)
- "Medicare Mandatory Insurer Reporting," Co-Presenter (May 2012)
- "Protected Health Information: Obtaining and Disclosing," Presenter (June 2008)
- "Managing Risk Through Documentation and Planning," Presenter, Mayo Clinic Hospital (Feb. 2008); Banner Thunderbird Medical Center (September 2007)
- "Legal Ethics in the In-House Setting: How the Rules of Professional Conduct Translate," Co-Presenter (June 2015)
- "The Ethics of Attorney Use of Social Media," Presenter (June 2011)
- "Ethical Issues in Internal Investigations," Co-Author (October 2010)
- "The Ethics of Attorney Marketing," Presenter (June 2009)

## Professional Recognition & Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Insurance Law (2022-2024); Health Care Law, Real Estate Litigation (2023-2024)
- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell®
- Southwest Super Lawyers®, Rising Stars Edition, Insurance (2016-2019), Business Litigation (2012-2015)
- Maricopa County Bar Association, Robert R. Mills Member of the Year (2018)
- Arizona's Finest Lawyers

## Community Involvement

- Maricopa County Bar Foundation
  - Board of Trustees (2012-present); Chair of the Board (2016-2018); Vice Chair (2015); Treasurer (2013-2014, 2019)
- ASU Diversity Legal Writing Intern Program

- Assigning Attorney (2012, 2013)
  - Presenter, Legal Research and Writing (2009-2012)
- Volunteer Lawyers Program
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

## **Bar Admissions**

- Arizona

## **Court Admissions**

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- United States District Court, District of Arizona