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Patrick A. Bousquet is an experienced litigator and go-to appellate attorney for clients in must-win cases. His over 20 years of experience in complex litigation, insurance coverage, bad faith matters, and appellate work give him an unmatched ability to analyze complex and novel legal issues, litigation risks, reasonableness of settlements, and odds of success on appeal. Utilizing this combination of skills and experience has enabled him to secure client victories in important issues of first impression for his corporate and individual clients.

Bousquet advises some of the nation's top insurance companies in complex coverage and bad faith matters. These high exposure cases often involve wrongful death claims, serious allegations of sexual assault or misconduct, or construction of novel insurance clauses. He knows the tricks clever plaintiffs' lawyers use to set up insurance companies for bad faith, and he proactively helps the insurance companies navigate claims and minimize exposure.

He is experienced in trying claims in both federal and state trial courts. He has argued cases in the United States Courts of Appeals for the Seventh, Eighth, and Tenth Circuits. He has also argued numerous appeals in every appellate court in Missouri, including the Missouri Supreme Court. In Illinois, he has argued cases before multiple divisions of its Courts of Appeals and the Illinois Supreme Court.

Practices:

- Appellate
- Commercial Litigation
- First-Party Coverage
- Insurance Services
- Third-Party Coverage

Education:

- University of Missouri School of Law, J.D., 2005
- Drake University, B.S. in Business Management and B.A. in Music, 2002

Bar Admissions:

- Missouri
- Illinois
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the
 - 3rd Circuit
 - 7th Circuit
 - 8th Circuit
 - 10th Circuit
- Missouri Supreme Court
- Illinois Supreme Court
- U.S. District Courts for the
 - Eastern District of Missouri
 - Southern District of Missouri
 - Western District of Missouri
 - Southern District of Illinois
 - District of Kansas

Results

- *Schlaflly v. Eagle Forum*, 970 F.3d 924 (8th Cir. 2020)
- *Lewis v. Sigman Indoor Climate Solutions, LLC*, 575 S.W.3d 278 (Mo. App. 2019)
- *Hopfer v. Neenah Foundry Co.*, 477 S.W.3d 116 (Mo. App. 2015)
- *Behlmann v. Century Surety Co.*, 794 F.3d 960 (8th Cir. 2015)
- *Stevens v. Markirk Const.*, 454 S.W.3d 875 (Mo. banc 2015)
- *Farm Bureau Town & Country Ins. Co. of Mo. v. Shipman*, 436 S.W.3d 883 (Mo. App. 2014)
- *Chicago Ins. Co. v. Archdiocese of St. Louis*, 740 F.3d 1197 (8th Cir. 2014)
- *Owners Ins. Co. v. Hughes*, 712 F.3d 392 (8th Cir. 2013)
- *Nationwide Ins. Co. v. Cent. Laborers' Pension Fund*, 704 F.3d 522 (7th Cir. 2013)
- *Hawkeye-Security Ins. Co. v. Bunch*, 643 F.3d 646 (8th Cir. 2011)
- *O'Rourke v. Esurance Ins. Co.*, 325 S.W.3d 295 (Mo. App. 2010)
- *Mengwasser v. Anthony Kempker Trucking, Inc.*, 312 S.W.3d 368 (Mo. App. 2010)
- *Parmelee v. Standard Fire Ins. Co.*, 697 F. Supp. 2d 1069 (E.D. Mo. 2010)

Honors & Awards

- Best Lawyers in America (2018-2023)
- Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers (2023-2025)
 - Rising Star (2012-2019)

Professional Associations

- American Bar Association
- Claims and Litigation Management
- Defense Research Institute
- Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers
- St. Louis Bar Association

Professional Associations

Other Professional/Civic Involvement

- Master Gardener
- Master Naturalist
- Missouri Botanical Garden Corporate Council (2016-present)
- Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts (2015-present)