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My favorite part of my work is spending time with clients, gaining a comprehensive understanding of their goals and concerns, and distilling that information into a plan of action focused on a successful conclusion.

Matt Gollinger is a litigation partner at Best & Flanagan with an extensive background in a wide variety of dispute advocacy. Matt has represented many Fortune 500 clients in complex commercial litigation, but has also represented individuals in their first experience with the United States court system. His experience not only includes a diverse mix of clients, but also includes a wide array of jurisdictions as he has counseled clients concerning legal matters in more than 30 states. Matt has experience in a wide range of subject matter including first-party property insurance coverage/measurement, class actions, financial services, real estate, trade secret misappropriation, E&O, D&O, managed care and comprehensive general liability, reinsurance, multi-party construction disputes, and more.

Experience

- › Represents the Metropolitan Counsel in condemnation proceedings arising out of the Southwest Light Rail Transit project.
- › In Texas State Court, represented more than 100 beneficiaries to generations-old family trust against JP Morgan for mismanagement of the trust's substantial Oil and Gas assets and related breaches of fiduciary duties.
- › In New York State Court, represented several insurance carriers in a \$25+ million dispute over coverage and applicable sub-limits for multiple Manhattan buildings flooded in the course of Super Storm Sandy.
- › Counseled and represented a Europe-based insurer in jurisdictions scattered throughout the United States for all of its claims, exposures, and related litigation/arbitration arising out of the March 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami and the catastrophic floods in Thailand later that year.
- › Represented several Syndicates at Lloyd's of London and other European reinsurers in a number of confidential reinsurance arbitrations over contractual liability for claims and losses ranging from \$20 million to over \$500 million.
- › In Nebraska Federal Court, represented Fortune 500 client in contract dispute over faulty construction of a \$40 million ethanol production facility on issues concerning the scope and cause of the physical damage and the measurement of related lost revenues.
- › In Arkansas State Court, represented a large U.S.-based firm in a dispute with Dillard's department stores over claimed loss and damage to stock/inventory in excess of \$15 million arising out of Hurricane Katrina.

- > In Minnesota State Court, represented a property management company in against contractors and subcontractors for arcing and fire damage.
- > In New York Federal Court, represented a major European insurance company in its litigation with the owner of the World Trade Center complex concerning available insurance coverage and calculation of the property damage and financial losses arising out of the 9/11 terrorist attack.

Areas of Practice

Commercial Litigation
Construction Law
Litigation & Appellate
Real Estate

Education

J.D., William Mitchell College of Law, 2003
B.S., Tufts University, 2000

Admissions

State of Minnesota
State of New York
State of Texas
U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota

Firm News/Articles

- > Best & Flanagan Strengthens Litigation and Business Law Teams

Professional Associations

- > Minnesota State Bar Association
- > Hennepin County Bar Association

Community Associations

- > St. Paul Academy Alumni Counsel - Member (2018)
- > St. Paul Jaycees - Board Member, Legal Counsel (2008-2010)

Awards & Recognition

- > Rising Star, *Minnesota Law & Politics*, 2012-2013
- > Up & Coming Attorney, *Minnesota Lawyer*, 2010

After Hours

When I am not at my desk, you will most likely find me either on the golf course or enjoying a walk through the Macalester-Groveland neighborhood with my wife and Chocolate Labrador Retriever. I am also an avid and eternally hopeful follower of Minnesota professional sports teams.

