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Jodi Munn Schebel focuses her practice on product liability, premises liability and personal injury defense litigation, as well as counseling clients on regulatory compliance matters. She has significant experience managing all facets of high exposure litigation from case inception through trial, including pre-litigation claim assessment, development and execution of case strategy, written discovery, depositions, motion practice, expert witness retention and preparation, settlement negotiations and overall case management.

Jodi handles complex and multi-defect cases involving consumer products, insurance coverage, automobile accidents, premises claims, as well as commercial litigation. She has tried automotive product liability and premises liability actions and has arbitrated cases under the American Arbitration Association standards. With respect to regulatory matters, Jodi counsels her clients on compliance with regulations under the Motor Vehicle Safety Act, including §573 and 579, to determine whether and what reporting is required, and to ensure that strict timelines under the Act are met.

Jodi also regularly manages discovery coordination and eDiscovery in commercial and business cases, including complex litigation and class action matters. In her discovery practice, Jodi develops and implements protocols for handling all aspects of case discovery including case strategy, case management conferences, claw back agreements, deposition protocols, ESI agreements, protective orders, privilege logs and document collection and review. She is responsible for all areas of the discovery process, including drafting case management orders, initial disclosures, discovery requests and responses, and overseeing the entirety of the document collection and review process. She currently serves as National Discovery Counsel for a major automotive manufacturer on class action and other product liability matters in both state and federal courts throughout the United States.

Bar and Court Admissions

Michigan, 1996
U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan

Education

Wayne State University Law School, J.D., 1996
cum laude
Moot Court
Delta Theta Phi
Wayne State University, B.S., 1993
magna cum laude
Merit Scholarship for Academic Achievement
Golden Key National Honor Society
Dean's List

Professional Associations

International Association of Defense Counsel
American Bar Association
Women in Products Liability Section
Tort and Insurance Practice Section
Federal Bar Association
Southeastern Michigan Chapter
American Inns of Court
Barrister, Detroit Chapter
Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
State Bar of Michigan
Litigation Section

Recent Speaking Engagements and Publications

"Electronic Record Retention, Destruction and Security," Presenter, NBI Webinar, September 2019
"Sweeping Amendments to Michigan Court Rules to Take Effect January 1, 2020," Co-Author, Legal Alert, June 2019
"Social Media Ethics and eDiscovery," Co-Presenter, Client Webinar, June 2018
"Data Analysis Toolkit for Attorneys," Co-Presenter, NBI Webinar, June 2018
"Managing Risks with Litigation Holds and Document Retention Policies," Co-Presenter, Client Hot Topics Seminar, May 2018
"How to Get Your Social Media, Email and Text Evidence Admitted (and Keep Theirs Out)," Live Seminar, National Business Institute, Co-Presenter, October 2017
"Protecting the Record: Sealing Confidential Documents," Co-Author, ABA Practice Points, May 2017
"Winning Your Case in Discovery," Live Telephonic Seminar, Rossdale CLE, Co-Presenter, May 2017
"What Do You Control? Document Preservation and Production Under Federal Rule 34," *Michigan Defense Quarterly*, Vol. 33, No. 4 – 2017, Michigan Defense Trial Counsel, Inc., Co-Presenter, April 2017
"The ABCs of ESI Elementary eDiscovery," Co-Presenter, Client Webinar, March 2017