

FRANK A. PERRECONE

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DATE OF BIRTH June 14, 1956

OCCUPATION Attorney at Law

LAW LICENSE State of Illinois, 1981

EDUCATION Drake University Law School
Doctor of Jurisprudence with Honors, 1980

Northern Illinois University
Bachelor of Arts, 1978

Rock Valley College
Associate of Arts, 1976

Boylan Central Catholic High School, 1974

EMPLOYMENT **2010 - present**
Principal, Ferolie & Perrecone, Ltd., Rockford, IL

2006 - 2010
Partner, Ferolie & Perrecone, Ltd., Rockford, IL

1994 - 2006
Partner, Ferolie, Perrecone & White, Ltd., Rockford, IL

1982 - 1994
Associate, Lawrence J. Ferolie & Associates, Ltd., Rockford, IL

1981 - 1982
Associate, Ferolie & Boreen, Rockford, IL

TEACHING POSITION **1998 - 2008**
Adjunct Professor of Law, Northern Illinois University College of Law
Trial Advocacy, Advanced Trial Advocacy and Trial Team Competition

PUBLICATIONS Perrecone & Fabiano, *The Federalization of Punitive Damages and the Effect on Illinois Law*, 28 N. ILL. U. L. REV. 537 (2008).

Perrecone & Fabiano, *The Fleecing of Seriously Injured Medical Malpractice Victims in Illinois*, 26 N. ILL. U. L. REV. 527 (2006).

Perrecone, *Seventh Circuit Narrows Application of Illinois Common Fund Doctrine in ERISA Subrogation Claims*, ILL. ST. B. ASS'N TORT TRENDS, Oct. 2003, at 4.

Perrecone, *Effective Use of SCR 213(f)*, ILL. ST. B. ASS'N TORT TRENDS, May 2003, at 1.

Perrecone, *Seventh Circuit Decision Trumps Federal Rule of Civil Procedure*, ILL. ST. B. ASS'N TORT TRENDS, June 2000, at 8.

Perrecone & Nelson, *Case Note - Blackburn v. Sundstrand Corporation*, 115 F.3d 493 (7th Cir. 1997), ILL. ST. B. ASS'N TORT TRENDS, Nov. 1997, at 1.

Perrecone, *The Plaintiff's Perspective*, ILL. ST. B. ASS'N IN THE ALTERNATIVE, April 1996, at 2.

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Arbitrator, Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Insurance Claims,
1993 - present

Arbitrator, 17th Circuit Court Mandatory Court Annexed Arbitration Program
1988 - present

Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association
1986 - present

Mediator, 17th Circuit Court Annexed Major Civil Case Mediation Program
1993 - present

LEGAL ABILITY/

ETHICAL STANDARD RATING

Martindale-Hubbell - AV (highest rating) (1997-present)

Legal Ability Rating, of which A is the highest, takes into consideration the standard of professional ability in the area of practice, expertise and other professional qualifications. General Ethical Standards Rating, of which V is the highest, denotes adherence to professional standards of conduct and ethics, reliability, diligence and other criteria relevant to the discharge of professional responsibilities.

Selected as a "Super Lawyer" (2009-present, 2006-2007)

Super Lawyers are chosen by peers and through the independent research of *Law & Politics* from each practice area. Only the top 5% of attorneys in Illinois are designated as Super Lawyers.

Selected as a "Leading Lawyer" in personal injury law (2003-present)

Recognized, by Leading Lawyers as one of the Top 10 consumer lawyers who practice law outside the Chicago area (2016)

Leading Lawyers are chosen by their peers and the Leading Lawyers Network Advisory Board from each area as being among the top attorneys in Illinois.

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Illinois State Courts
United States Supreme Court
United States Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals
United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

**PROFESSIONAL
AFFILIATIONS**

American Association for Justice
Illinois Trial Lawyers Association
Illinois State Bar Association
Winnebago County Bar Association
Justinian Society of Lawyers

**COMMITTEES,
OFFICES AND
APPOINTMENTS**

American Association for Justice

Public Affairs Committee
Member, 2016-2019

Illinois State Bar Association

Assembly Delegate
2010 - present, 2000 - 2008, 1992 - 1998

Standing Committee on Legislation
Member, 2004 - present

Insurance Law Section Council
Chair, 2011 - 2012
Member, 2007 - 2013

Assembly Budget and Finance Committee
Member, 2011

Task Force on CLE Implementation
Member, 2005 - 2006

Task Force on Unauthorized Practice of Law
Member, 2003 - 2006

Tort Law Section Council
Chair, 2002 - 2003, Member 1988 - 1992 and 1994 - 2003

Civil Practice and Procedure Section Council
Chair, 1991 - 1992, Member 1987 - 1992

Standing Committee on Continuing Legal Education
Chair, 1995 - 1996 and 1988 - 1990, Member 1988 - 1996

Standing Committee on Judicial Appointments
Member, 1988 - 1990

Winnebago County Bar Association

President

2007 - 2008

Board of Directors
Member, 2002 - 2005

Judicial Liaison Committee
Chair, 2000 - 2001

Trial Section
Chair, 1998 - 1999

Illinois Trial Lawyers Association

Board of Managers
Member, 1988 - 1990

The Justinian Society of Lawyers

President, Winnebago County Chapter
2004 - present

Vice President, Winnebago County Chapter
2000 - 2004

Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education

Board of Directors
Member, 1988 - 1989

Circuit Court for the 17th Circuit, State of Illinois

Mentor, Attorney Mentoring Pilot Program
2009 - present

Member, Peer Review Council for the Circuit's Professionalism Pilot Program
2009 - present

United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Magistrate Judge Mahoney Merit Review Panel
Chair, 2008

Civil Justice Reform Act Advisory Group
Member, 1991 - 1995

**AWARDS,
NOMINATIONS**

Recipient, The 17th Judicial Circuit Professionalism & Civility Award for the attorney who best exemplifies the Eight Goals of the Aspirational Code of Conduct, 2015

Nominee, Professor of the Year, Northern Illinois University College of Law, 2002

Recipient, Honorary Law Alumnus Award for outstanding contributions as adjunct law

professor to the Northern Illinois University College of Law, its students and alumni.
Presented by Alumni Council, 2001

Nominee, Professor of the Year, Northern Illinois University College of Law, 2001

Recipient, Award plaque presented by trial advocacy students for outstanding contribution and dedication as a trial advocacy professor at Northern Illinois University College of Law, 1998

Recipient, Illinois State Bar Association Board of Governors' Award for outstanding efforts in establishing and expanding the "Law Ed Series", 1989

Recipient, American Jurisprudence Award for excellent achievement in the study of Civil Procedure, Drake University Law School, 1980

**PRESENTER AT
CLE PROGRAMS**

Topic: Tips on Closing Arguments
Program: "Trial Appellate Practice"
Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association
Date: May 8, 2014

Topic: Set-Offs, Liens and Subrogation in UM/UIM Cases
Program: "Uninsured/Underinsured Motorists Coverage: The Necessary Basics"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: June 21, 2011

Topic: Closing Arguments
Program: "Civil Procedure Update 2010"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: April 9, 2010

Topic: Liens and Subrogation Issues in Personal Injury Cases
Program: "Insurance Law Update 2009"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: November 13, 2009

Topic: Closing Arguments
Program: "Civil Procedure Update 2009"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: May 22, 2009

Topic: Closing Arguments
Program: "2009 Trial Practice - Pre-Trial Motions Through Appeal"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: March 27, 2009

Topic: The Federalization of Punitive Damages and the Effect on Illinois Law
Program: "CLE Buffet"
Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association
Date: June 13, 2008

Topic: Negotiation and Adjudication of Liens in Personal Injury Cases
Program: "Hot Topics in Insurance Law"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: June 13, 2008

Topic: Cross Examination (Challenging Your Opponent's Theory of the Case)

Program: "Hot Tips for Trials"

Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association

Date: May 15, 2008

Topic: The Federalism of Punitive Damages and the Effect on Illinois Law

Program: "The Modern American Jury"

Sponsor: Northern Illinois University College of Law

Date: April 9, 2008

Topic: Closing Arguments

Program: "Civil Practice Update"

Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: May 18, 2007

Topic: Closing Arguments

Program: "Civil Litigation Update & Overview of Civil Practice and Procedure"

Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: May 12, 2006

Topic: The Fleecing of Seriously Injured Medical Malpractice Victims in Illinois

Program: "Medical Malpractice: Emerging Issues & The Effects of Tort Reform"

Sponsor: Northern Illinois University College of Law

Date: April 13, 2006

Topic: Closing Argument, Do's, Don'ts and More

Program: "Civil Litigation: Update and Overview of Civil Practice and Procedure"

Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: May, 2005

Topic: Trial Issues – Practical Advice for Succeeding at Trial

Program: "Successfully Navigating Civil Litigation"

Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: December, 2003

Topic: Amended Supreme Court Rule 213

Program: "Update in Tort"

Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: December, 2002

Topic: Amended Supreme Court Rule 213

Program: "Amended Supreme Court Rule 213"

Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association

Date: July, 2002

Topic: Mediation - Plaintiff's Perspective

Program: "Hot Topics in Dispute Resolution: What Advocates, Neutrals and Consumers Need to Know"

Sponsor: Northern Illinois University College of Law

Date: March, 2001

Topic: The Realities of Representing Clients Who Have Suffered a Mild Brain Injury

Program: "Brain Injury Symposium"

Sponsor: Brain Injury Association of Illinois and University of Illinois College of

Medicine at Rockford
Date: December, 2000

Topic: Prosecuting Slip and Fall Cases: What Do You Need to Prove?
Program: "Litigating Tort Cases Without Going Bankrupt"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: October, 1999

Topic: Subrogation and Lien Issues
Program: "Nuts and Bolts for the Tort Practitioner"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: June, 1999

Topic: Cross Examination
Program: "Hot Tips for Trials"
Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association
Date: October, 1998

Topic: Subrogation and Lien Issues
Program: "Litigating Personal Injury Cases: Recent Decisions"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: February, 1998

Topic: Premises Liability Update
Program: "Get Caught Up! An Update of Civil Practice, Insurance, Mental Health and Tort Law Issues"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: December, 1997

Topic: Selection of Mediator
Program: "Making Mediation Work for You"
Sponsor: American Bar Association
Date: September, 1997

Topic: Preparation of Your Case and Client for Arbitration-Counsel's View
Program: "Are You Ready to Settle Your Case; the Ins and Outs of Alternative Dispute Resolution, Mediation and Arbitration"
Sponsor: Northwest Suburban Bar Association
Date: April, 1997

Topic: Cross examination - Challenging the Theory of Your Opponent's Case
Program: "Trial Techniques - Getting a Case Ready; Getting a Verdict"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: November, 1996

Topic: Preparation of Your Case and Client for Arbitration - Counsel's View
Program: "Settling Your Case In Court or Out - Everything You Need to Know and More"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: October, 1996

Topic: The Plaintiff's Perspective
Program: "Mediation for Lawyers - How to Prepare Your Case, Yourself & Your Client to Mediate Successfully,"
Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
Date: December, 1995

Topic: Maximizing Damages in the Typical Winnebago County Personal Injury Case
 Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association Trial Section
 Date: June, 1994

Topic: Keeping ERISA's Subrogating Hands off Minors' Personal Injury Settlements
 Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association Probate Section
 Date: May, 1994

Topic: Aggravation of Pre-Existing Injury/Condition
 Program: "Proven and Winning Ways in Personal Injury Cases"
 Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
 Date: November, 1993

Topic: Public and Private Recreational Land Use
 Program: "Recreational Law Update"
 Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
 Date: April, 1993

Topic: Motions in Limine
 Program: "Civil Litigation Seminar"
 Sponsor: Northwest Suburban Bar Association
 Date: March, 1993

Topic: Getting Witnesses to the Courthouse and Motions in Limine
 Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association Trial Section
 Date: June, 1992

Topic: Motions in Limine
 Program: "Handling and Avoiding Common Trial and Settlement Problems"
 Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
 Date: April, 1991

Topic: Jury Instructions
 Program: "Effective Trial Presentation"
 Sponsor: Illinois State Bar Association
 Date: November, 1988

PANEL MEMBER

AT CLE PROGRAMS Topic: Professionalism

Sponsor: Winnebago County Bar Association

Date: May, 2011

Topic: Professionalism
 Sponsor: Northern Illinois University College of Law
 Date: April, 2008

Topic: Judicial Elections - Candidates' Right to Comment on Disputed Political Issues
 Sponsor: 17th Judicial Circuit, Rockford Register Star, Winnebago County Bar Assoc.
 Date: October, 2007

Topic: Training New Mediators
 Sponsor: Center for Analysis of Alternative Dispute Resolution Systems

Date: October, 2000

Topic: Court Annexed Mediation
Sponsor: Urbana County Judges and Bar Leaders
Date: June, 1999

Topic: Court Annexed Mediation
Sponsor: Kane County Judges and Bar Leaders
Date: November, 1995

Topic: Court Annexed Mediation
Sponsor: DuPage County Judges and Bar Leaders
Date: October, 1995

Topic: Court Annexed Mediation
Sponsor: McLean County Judges and Bar Leaders
Date: June, 1995

Topic: Training New Arbitrators
Sponsor: 17th Judicial Circuit Court Arbitrator Training Program
Date: January, 1995

CIVIC

INVOLVEMENT, AWARDS

Greater Rockford Italian American Association

Co-Chair, 2014 - present

Chair, 2009 - 2013

Co-Chair, 2004 - 2008

Member, 1999 - present

Carpenter's Place
Director
2013 - present

Rockford Airfest

Member, Steering Committee

2011 - present

Recipient, Italian-American Man of the Year, Ethnic Heritage Museum, 2013

Veterans Drop-In Center

formally known as, Rockford Advocacy Coalition for the Homeless

President, 2010 - 2013

Vice President, 2009 - 2010

American Red Cross, Rock River Chapter

Homeless shelter volunteer

1997 - 2009

Recipient, Dedicated Service Award, American Red Cross, Rock River Chapter, 2007

Festa Italiana

Volunteer

1988 - present