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Timothy Weaver is Of Counsel and has more than 40 years of experience in catastrophic injury trial work. Tim brings intensity and passion to his trials and has more than 75 jury verdicts in Illinois and Wisconsin. Tim has written and spoken frequently about professional liability issues and has served as General Editor and chapter author for two editions of the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education textbook, *Medical Malpractice*. He was given the Publication Award by the Wisconsin Defense Counsel in 2014. He was elected to the American Board of Trial Advocates as an Advocate and in 2015 earned a Trial Excellence Career Achievement Award by the Illinois/Cook County *Jury Verdict Reporter* (Law Bulletin Media).

Beyond trial work, Tim is involved in fundraising for the Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. His dear cousin has had MS for many years. He rides his carbon bike more than 150 miles over the annual two-day *Tour de Farms* event. His fund-raising bike team, the Wheeler Dealers, has consistently ranked number one among all such teams. He is an active member of the Evanston Bicycle Club and participates in its annual fund-raising event, the North Shore Century. He is a volunteer tutor at Holy Trinity High School in Chicago.

Tim's interests and activities include skiing, road bicycling (3,017 miles in 2018), tennis, history, biography, and mystery novels. He and his wife Catherine have three grown sons.

Education

- Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, A.B. *cum laude*; Department Honors in History
- University of Illinois College of Law, Urbana-Champaign, J.D.; Notes Editor, "Recent Decisions," *Illinois Bar Journal*

Bar Admissions

- Illinois
- Wisconsin
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois - Trial Bar
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

Professional Experience

Professional Affiliations

- American Board of Trial Advocates, Advocate standing
- Illinois Association of Defense Counsel (IDC)
- Wisconsin Defense Counsel
- Illinois State Bar Association
- State Bar of Wisconsin
- Defense Research Institute

Awards

- Trial Excellence Award – Career Achievement, Defense Counsel, *Jury Verdict Reporter*, 2015
- Publication Award, Wisconsin Defense Counsel, 2014
- Highest rating (AV) by Martindale-Hubbell
- Illinois Super Lawyers
- Illinois Leading Lawyers, medical malpractice defense

Publications

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- Weaver, T. A., "Jury Instructions: Advice from the Trenches," Spring Seminar, Illinois Defense Trial Counsel, 2009.
- Weaver, T. A., "How not to be a Bone-head: Winning the Trial through Jury Persuasion," *12th Annual Chicago Trauma Symposium*, Advocate Health Care, August 5, 2010.
- Weaver, T. A., "Technology in Litigation," Pretzel & Stouffer, Chartered, May 24, 2011.
- Weaver, T. A., "Standards of Care: Concepts and Practice," presented to University of Illinois College of Medicine/Advocate Christ Hospital Medical Center, Department of Medicine, August 5, 2011.
- Weaver, T. A., "Defend Yourself – But Don't Be Defensive," *13th Annual Chicago Trauma Symposium*, Advocate Health Care, August 25, 2011.
- Weaver, T. A., "A Doctor's Survival Guide to Malpractice Defense," *14th Annual Chicago Trauma Symposium*, Advocate Health Care, August 2, 2012.
- Weaver, T. A., "Deposition Preparation: Illinois," *14th Annual Chicago Trauma Symposium*, Advocate Health Care, August 2, 2012.
- Weaver, T. A., "Cyber Liability: HIPAA, HITECH and Common Law Negligence," *Illinois Critical Access Hospital Network*, Springfield, IL, October 18, 2013.
- Weaver, T. A., "Reptilian Litigation: A Guide to the So-Called Plaintiff's Revolution," *Wisconsin Civil Trial Journal*, Vol. 11, No. 3, Wisconsin Defense Counsel, 2013. The article resulted in Wisconsin Defense Counsel Publication Award, 2014.
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Related News

- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Named as Leading Lawyers for 2019 by Leading Lawyers Advisory Board
- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Recognized as Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell
- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Publish IICLE on "Return of the Verdict and Entry of Judgment"
- Press release: "Return of the Verdict and Entry of Judgment" book chapter
- 2014 Publication Award by the Wisconsin Defense Counsel

Related Results

- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Obtain Defense Verdict for Orthopedic Surgeon Against Delay of Surgery Claim
- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Obtain Not Guilty for Orthopedic Surgeon
- Tim Weaver Wins Malpractice Trial
- Defense Verdict against Plaintiff Patient/Lawyer
- Defense Verdict against Plaintiff Patient/Dentist