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James A. Schaps has been a litigator in both workers' compensation and personal injury liability cases for over 35 years. Over the last 20 years, he has also regularly served as a Mediator/Arbitrator in workers' compensation and personal injury liability matters and mediates 150+ injury claims annually.

"Jamie" is a proponent of Hansen Dordell's open and friendly client services environment. "Some firms can get hung up on their 'image' as lawyers but that's not the case at Hansen Dordell. There has never been a client or a lawyer who has told me they were 'uncomfortable' in our office. While we deal with serious issues affecting people's lives, we don't forget that our clients come first; they are the most important part of our job."

Education

- Juris Doctorate Degree, Mitchell-Hamline College of Law, 1984
- Bachelor of Arts Degree, Business Management and Economics, University of St. Thomas, 1980

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota
- Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court- District of Minnesota

Areas of Practice

- Workers' Compensation Litigation
- Workers' Compensation Mediation
- Personal Injury Litigation
- Personal Injury Mediation and Arbitration
- Mediation and Arbitration for Individuals
- Mediation and Arbitration for Businesses

Presentations

- Introduction to Workers' Compensation in Minnesota (MN CLE), Chairman and Presenter, 1992-Present
- Minnesota Workers' Compensation Deskbook (MN CLE), "Coordination of Workers' Compensation Benefits," Past and Current Chapter Author, 1995-Present
- Minnesota Workers' Compensation Institute (MN CLE), Past Co-Chair and Presenter, Multiple Years
- Frequent Presenter at Hansen Dordell Seminars, Out of State Presentations, 1985-Present

Awards

- Inducted into and member of the **American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)**, November 2014 to present;
- **The Best Lawyers in America**[®], 2013 to present;
- Regularly selected to the **Minnesota "Super Lawyers"** list.

Professional Affiliations

- Ramsey County Bar Association
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- Wisconsin State Bar Association
- Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association (MDLA) 1986 to present

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We are a medium-size firm and devote our full attention to every case—a work ethic that has not gone unnoticed. In fact, many of our clients across the nation have trusted their legal work to us for more than 60 years. They know we view each case with a fresh perspective and keen eye. We have a special talent for simplifying complex issues and ensuring our clients have a solid understanding of the issues at hand. At Hansen Dordell, we know each case presents us with a new opportunity to be thoughtful, innovative, and attentive.



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