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**Attorney, arbitrator, and mediator experienced in commercial, business, contract, construction, class action and products liability cases and finding solutions for clients' knotty problems.**

**Professional Experience****Law Firms:**

Owner, Law Offices of Madge S. Thorsen, current

Thorsen Kaplan LLP, Partner

Kelly & Berens, Partner

Popham, Haik, Schnobrich & Kaufman, Partner

Oppenheimer, Wolff & Donnelly, Associate/Partner

**ADR Neutral**

Neutral, American Arbitration Association, Commercial, Complex Case, Construction and International Panels

Neutral, International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution

Mediator, Institute for Alternative Dispute Resolution, St. Cloud State University

Mediator, Minnesota Department of Education Special Education Mediation Services

**Teaching**

Adjunct Professor, Alternative Dispute Resolution, William Mitchell College of Law, current

Adjunct Professor, Civil Procedures, William Mitchell College of Law

Adjunct Professor, Products Liability, University of Minnesota Law School

Continuing Legal Education lecturer and presenter in areas of mediation, arbitration, business and commercial litigation, creativity and law

## **Educational Background**

University of Minnesota, B.A. summa cum laude

University of Minnesota Law School, J.D. magna cum laude  
Order of the Coif, Law Review Editor in Chief

University of Minnesota Institute on Community Integration Certification Program

Extensive Arbitration and Mediation Training from: American Arbitration Association; 2009 American Arbitration Association Neutral's Forum; Kellogg Executive Center; St. Cloud State University Institute for Alternative Dispute Resolution; USPS Transformative Mediation Training. Minnesota Rule 114 General and Family Mediation Training.

## **Representative Publications and Lectures**

Thorsen, Kaplan & Hakala, *Rediscovering the Economics of Loss Causation*, 6 J. BUS. & SEC. L. 93 (April 2006)

Thorsen, Madge S., *Boomerages: Another Winkle on How to Practice Law?* **The Practical Lawyer**, Vol. 53, No. 1 (February 2007)

**"Tips for Choosing an Arbitrator"** Panel Moderator, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section Presentation, March 10, 2009.

Panelist, **"Restorative Justice in Public Schools—Using Restorative Justice for Conflict Resolution and Leadership Development**, University of St. Thomas, April 1, 2009.

Moderator, **"Does ADR Delegitimize the Courts?"**, Minnesota State Bar Association Alternative Dispute Resolution Section CLE, May 12, 2009

## **Professional Associations**

Minnesota State Bar Association

Hennepin County Bar Association

Named in "Minnesota's Best Lawyers"