

Michael A. Fetzner

Mr. Fetzner's varied law practiced over 44 years included real estate, estate planning and administration and workers' compensation. He previously served as Assistant District Attorney for Erie County and was appointed Special Prosecutor in 1980. He was active in both the Erie County and Pennsylvania Bar Associations, having served as Erie County Bar Association President and in many other leadership capacities over the years. Mr. Fetzner also served as an Advisory Board member of Penn Attorneys Title Insurance Company.

EDUCATION

- The Dickinson School of Law, J.D.
- Gannon University, B.S.

RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successfully defended several large manufacturers against numerous significant hearing loss and repetitive motion claims
- Successfully defended a large manufacturing company against a claim whereby an employee alleged that repeated exposure to toxic chemicals compromised his immune system
- Facilitated the financing and construction of multiple renovation and expansion projects for local nonprofit organizations
- Counseled numerous employers in Northwestern Pennsylvania in establishing risk management programs that involve periodic file review and successful use of modified duty to return injured employees to the workforce, thus effectively reducing workers' compensation costs

HONORS & RATINGS

- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated
- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, (Workers' Compensation Law - Employers), 2014-2020
- 2015 Chancellor of the Bar Award, Erie County Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, Board of Governors Service Award

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Frequent speaker at PA Bar Institute seminars
- Frequent speaker on workers' compensation for various human resource groups
- Master of ceremonies, Annual Law Day Ceremonies

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Metropolitan Erie YMCA, *Board of Directors, Past Chairman, Board of Trustees*
- Village at Luther Square, *Former Board of Director, Finance Committee Member*
- Dickinson School of Law, *1834 Society Member; John Reed Society Member*
- St. Peter's Cathedral, *Council Member*
- Kawkwa Club, *Board of Directors, Past President*



FIRM INVOLVEMENT

- Of Counsel

ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- Pennsylvania
- New York

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Erie County Bar Association, *Executive Committee Member; Workers' Compensation Council Member; Law Day Committee Chair; Former President; Former Treasurer; Board Member*
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, *Board of Governors*
- Pennsylvania Bar Foundation, *Fellow, Board of Directors*
- American Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Defense Institute
- First American Title Insurance Company, *Affiliate*
- Penn Attorneys Advisory Board, *Former Member*