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Overview

Heidi Bassett is a powerful litigator and unwavering advocate for clients at all stages of complex business and real estate disputes. She has provided representation in more than 200 appeals within an impressive track record of successful courtroom outcomes, also serving as a dedicated advisor to clients in day-to-day operations and long-term strategizing.

With extensive experience in both trial and appellate courts, Heidi specifically focuses on deceptive trade practices, unfair competition, fraud, and financial services. She is recognized for diligently aligning her diverse business clients' legal objectives with their unique corporate and financial goals and developing tailored, timely, and cost-effective solutions.

Beyond her casework, Heidi is dedicated to mentoring and sponsoring early-career attorneys to ensure they have access to optimal paths for professional development.

Education

- University of St. Thomas, 2005 (J.D.)
- University of Minnesota, 2001 (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota
- Florida

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota

Distinctions

- Twin Cities Business, Notable Partner in Law, 2025
- Minnesota Super Lawyers, 2024-present
- Minnesota Super Lawyers, Rising Star, 2015-2020
- Best Lawyers in America, Litigation Real Estate, 2024-present
- Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2022
- Minnesota Monthly, Top Lawyers in Minnesota, 2024-present
- Martindale Hubbell, AV Preeminent; AV Preeminent Judicial
- Litigation Counsel of America, Trial Lawyer Honor Society
- The M Report Magazine, Top 35 under 35 slated to improve the housing industry, 2014

Memberships

- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- Florida State Bar Association

Related Experience

- Won a complete defense verdict at jury trial on behalf of a client in a premises liability case seeking \$14 million in damages.
- Earned a permanent injunction in favor of a business client to prevent ongoing violations of Minnesota's Deceptive Trade Practices Act.
- Exposed the theft of corporate funds to secure prejudgment garnishment without notice to the offending party.
- Defeated claims alleging violations of Florida's Consumer Collection Practices Act and malicious prosecution by a mortgage servicing client.
- Won a reversal of harassment restraining order on appeal.
- Defeated a claim of theft from a nonprofit organization.
- Defeated claims of trespass, civil theft, conversion, and deceptive trade practices against a family-owned business.
- Successfully defended a judgment ordering specific performance of a real estate contract in favor of a nonprofit organization on appeal.
- Earned a reversal on appeal of trial court's decision to reject evidence of lender's business records under hearsay exception, earning her client a new trial.
- Won judgment for business clients in more than 50 trials.
- Testified as an attorney fee expert in Florida financial services litigation.