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Scott has a simple but effective approach to his litigation practice. He believes that whether parties are litigating over important principles or millions of dollars, every case benefits from a strategic and careful approach and that credibility and trust are keys to success.



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More About Scott

In his practice, he has defended clients in numerous state and federal courts in matters involving insurance coverage, agent negligence, appraisal, real estate, personal injury, and construction litigation. Scott has successfully argued multiple cases before the Minnesota Court of Appeals and the Minnesota Supreme Court. Never one to brag, it is worth mentioning that Scott was selected for inclusion in Minnesota Super Lawyers® – Rising Stars Edition, in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020.

Scott received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, All-College Honors, from St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, where he was a member of the Honors Program and graduated with Departmental Distinction in English. Scott received his J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of Minnesota Law School, where he was a staff member and an editor of the Minnesota Law Review. While in law school, Scott served as a judicial extern to U.S. District Court Chief Magistrate Judge Jonathan G. Lebedoff (D. Minn.) and as a board member of the Minnesota Justice Foundation Student Chapter.

Membership Affiliations

- Minnesota State Bar Association
- Hennepin County Bar Association
- Ramsey County Bar Association
- Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association

Practice Areas

- Business and Transactional
- Construction
- Consulting
- Employment Litigation
- Financial Services and Business Litigation
- Insurance Related Litigation
- Real Estate

Licenses

- Minnesota
- U.S. District Court of Minnesota

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Representative Cases

- Elm Creek Courthouse Association, Inc. v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., 971 N.W.2d 731 (Minn. Ct. App. 2022) (affirming summary judgment ruling on favorable appraisal award)
- Matthews Church of God & Christ v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. A21-0240, 2021 WL 4428919 (Minn. Ct. App. Sept. 27, 2021) (affirming summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- Darmer v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. CV 17-4309 (JRT/KMM), 2020 WL 1846661 (D. Minn. Apr. 6, 2020) (awarding money to client following sanctions ruling against adverse party)
- Thornberg v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., 638 F. App'x 578 (8th Cir.), cert. denied, 137 S. Ct. 495, 196 L. Ed. 2d 410 (2016), reh'g denied, 137 S. Ct. 1138, 197 L. Ed. 2d 239 (2017) (affirming district court dismissal ruling in favor of client)
- State Farm Fire & Cas. Co. v. Otten, No. A15-1574, 2016 WL 2946110 (Minn. Ct. App. May 23, 2016) (affirming trial court decision in favor of client)
- McGuire v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., 2016 WL 1118921 (Minn. Dist. Ct. Feb. 26, 2016) (ruling in favor of client following jury trial)
- Musse v. Engle, No. No. A07-0725, 2008 WL 2020444 (Minn. Ct. App. May 13, 2008) (affirming summary judgment dismissal for client) (continued)
- Schumacher v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co., No.15-cv-549 (DWF/HB), 2015 WL 6174537 (D. Minn. Oct. 20, 2015) (granting summary judgment dismissal for client)
- Allen v. Klenz, No. 46-CV-09-813, 2011 WL 2811495 (Minn. Dist. Ct. May 13, 2011) (confirming verdict for clients following jury trial)
- Lasley v. Sam's Auto Body of Bemidji, Inc., No. A11-1846, 2012 WL 3081908 (Minn. Ct. App. July 30, 2012) (affirming district court's summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- State Farm Fire & Cas. Co. v. Schwich, 749 N.W.2d 108, 115 (Minn. Ct. App. 2008) (resolving coverage dispute in favor of client on summary judgment)
- Lange v. State Farm Ins., No. A14-0175, 2014 WL 4388915 (Minn. Ct. App. Sept. 8, 2014) (affirming dismissal of case against client)
- State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co. v. Metropolitan Council, et al., 854 N.W.2d 249, 253 (Minn. Ct. App. 2014) (affirming trial court's summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- Brown v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co., No. 12-cv-3058 (DWF/TNL), 2013 WL 12308196 (D. Minn. Oct. 29, 2013) (ruling in favor of client on motion to amend to add extra-contractual claim)
- Estelle v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. 14-cv-855 (ADM/JSM), 2014 WL 2533763 (D. Minn. June 5, 2014) (dismissing case as a matter of law in favor of client)
- Marshall v. Hogle, No. A15-0520, 2015 WL 8549187 (Minn. Ct. App. Dec. 14, 2015) (affirming summary judgment ruling in favor of client)
- Thornberg v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. 14-cv-122 (SRN/JJK), 2014 WL 6901834 (D. Minn. Dec. 5, 2014) (granting motion to dismiss for client)

- Hackbarth v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. CIV. 11-690 (DSD/FLN), 2013 WL 375543 (D. Minn. Jan. 31, 2013) (confirming verdict for client following jury trial)
- Hackbarth v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. 11-cv-690 (DSD/FLN), 2013 WL 2418095 (D. Minn. June 3, 2013) (ruling for client in post-trial motions)
- Excel Roofing, Inc. v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., No. 10-cv-299 (DWF/JJK), 2010 WL 5211554 (D. Minn. Dec. 16, 2010) (granting summary judgment in favor of client)

Outside of the Office

Scott spends most of his free time in the company of friends and family. He enjoys reading, running, traveling, and live music.