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Halle Dimar attended Saint Louis University School of Law because of its nationally recognized program in Health Law. While in law school, she completed an internship with the general counsel for Saint Louis University's School of Medicine, providing her insight into both the risk management and litigation side of defending health care providers.

After graduating, Ms. Dimar joined the firm's Health Care Liability practice group in the St. Louis office. Her practice focuses solely on defending health care providers, including physicians, nurses, dentists, physical therapists, nursing homes and other long-term care providers, as well as pharmacies. She regularly advises clients on HIPAA issues, physician and employee discipline, subpoenas, and child abuse prevention programs. Ms. Dimar is also a frequent presenter to medical students regarding risk management.

Prior Legal Experience

Saint Louis University Health Sciences Department – General Counsel

Selected Favorable Jury Verdicts

Stephanie Woodworth v. Mid-West Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (2017)

Obtained a defense verdict in a dental malpractice case involving a lingual nerve injury and the alleged failure to refer the patient for a nerve repair surgery. The plaintiff sought \$800,000 in damages. After an hour of deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

Leslie Grussing v. Orthopedic & Sports Medicine, Inc. and Corey Solman, MD (2017)

Received a defense verdict in a case in which the plaintiff alleged the defendant doctor had failed to recognize and treat a knee infection following an arthroscopic knee surgery. Plaintiffs asked for more than \$1 million in damages, and after two hours of deliberations, the jury returned a unanimous defense verdict.

Carolyn Carroll and Sammy Carroll v. John Bennett, M.D. and The Hannibal Clinic Operations, L.L.C. (2015)

Obtained a defense verdict in a medical malpractice case involving a bowel perforation following a vaginal

hysterectomy. The plaintiff sought \$5.5 million in damages. After two hours of deliberations, the jury returned a defense verdict.

William Carter v. Hannibal Clinic Inc. (2014)

Obtained a unanimous defense verdict in a wrongful death/medical malpractice case involving the diagnosis and management of a bowel perforation following a vaginal hysterectomy. After an hour of deliberations, the jury returned a unanimous defense verdict.

Tara Feld Kamp v. Shahbaz Riaz, MD(2014)

Received a unanimous defense verdict in a case in which the plaintiff alleged the defendant doctor had failed to place the plaintiff on DVT prophylaxis, although the hospital's own risk assessment forms placed the plaintiff at a "very high risk" for developing blood clots. The plaintiff sought more than \$3.5 million in economic damages and a non-specified amount of non-economic damages.

Laurie Stokes v. Laura Hulbert, MD(2013)

Obtained a defense verdict in a medical malpractice case involving a ureter injury following a vaginal hysterectomy and the post-operative recognition and treatment of that injury. After 30 minutes of deliberations, the jury returned a unanimous defense verdict.

Machon v. Washington University(2011)

Secured a defense verdict in case where plaintiff was admitted to hospital with abdominal pain. After initial improvements, the plaintiff declined and was discovered to have a dead bowel. Plaintiffs filed suit in excess of \$5 million claiming the defendants failed to diagnose his condition and that the dead bowel was a result of a blood clot.

Mary O'Neal v. Dr. Asif Habib(2010)

Obtained a defense verdict in a wrongful case where plaintiff alleges that proper fall precautions were not put in place for an Alzheimer's patient who was admitted to the hospital and suffered a fall, leading to a femur fracture. After 30 minutes of deliberations, the jury returned a unanimous defense verdict.

Practice Areas

Health Care Liability
Life Sciences

More About Halle

Education & Bar Admissions

Education

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., 2006)
- Wittenberg University (B.A., 2003)

Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri

Recent Achievements

- Benchmark Litigation Future Star (2023-2025)
- The Power List: Healthcare Attorneys, Missouri Lawyers Media, 2021-2024
- Honoree - Benchmark 40 & Under Hot List (2018-2021)
- Rising Stars - Personal Injury Medical Malpractice: Defense, Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers (2011-2021)
- Fifth-Largest Reported Defense Verdict or Judgment, 2016 Missouri Lawyers Awards, Missouri Lawyers Weekly
- Second-Largest Reported Defense Verdict or Judgment, 2011 Missouri Lawyers Awards, Missouri Lawyers Weekly

Professional Affiliations

- Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers

Publications

- Author, "Not So 'Minor' Losses: Pecuniary Losses Under Section 537.090 in Cases Involving Minors," St. Louis Bar Journal (Volume 69, No. 1 Summer 2022)

Speaking

- Presenter, "Overview of Recent Legislation Nationwide Restricting Gender Affirming Care for Transgender Youth," Brown & James CLE, June 2023
- Speaker and Program Chair, "Prep Steps: New Strategies for Effective Depo Prep," Brown & James Insurance Law & Medical Malpractice Defense Symposium, January 2023
- Speaker and Program Chair, "The Age of Discovery: A Primer on the Best Practices in the Preservation Process," Brown & James Insurance Law & General Defense Symposium, January 2020
- Speaker and Program Chair, "Dealing with 'The Reptile': How to Defuse and Defend against Reptilian Tactics," Brown & James General Defense & Insurance Law Symposium (January 2019)
- Speaker, "2017 Tort Reform Update," Brown & James General Defense & Insurance Law Symposium (January 2018)
- Speaker, "Voir Dire," Simon Law Firm Seminar (June 2017)
- Speaker, "The Business of Medicine: The Anatomy of a Malpractice Lawsuit," Washington University School of Business (October 2014)
- Speaker, "Medical Records and Experts," National Business Institute (April 2014)