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Rowe has more than 30 years of experience helping clients navigate their most challenging legal issues across the U.S., including insurance insolvency and class actions.

OVERVIEW

Rowe focuses on insurance insolvency litigation, class action cases, and matters involving intricate regulatory, scientific, and technical issues. He represents clients in state and federal courts across the U.S., both as a lead attorney and as part of attorney teams in high-exposure cases. Rowe handles administrative proceedings, arbitration, and large multistate, multiparty litigation.

Rowe's substantive experience includes state and federal antitrust law, insurance insolvency law, insurance regulation, and class action litigation. He also provides significant antitrust and regulatory counseling. Rowe's clients primarily come from the insurance industry, including large insurance and reinsurance companies, insurance guaranty funds, insurance trade associations, rating organizations, and residual market mechanisms.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Insurance Law (2023-2027)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Antitrust
- Business Litigation
- Class Action
- Financial Services Litigation
- Insurance + Reinsurance

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- Business Litigation

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- Litigation + Trial

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, The Lawyers Club of Chicago
- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, Chicago Bar Association
- Member, Union League Club

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 1979
- Central Methodist University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1976

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, “Guaranty Fund Statutory Claim Defenses: Who Knows Your Stuff?” National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds: Annual Conference, May 1-2, 2024.
- Speaker, “Rehabilitation Issues for P&C Guaranty Funds,” International Association of Insurance Receivers: Insurance Resolution Workshop, April 10-12, 2024.
- Speaker, “Legal Issues in Estate Closures,” National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds: Legal Seminar, June 21-22, 2023.
- Speaker, “Bar Date Issues,” National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds: Legal Seminar, June 21-22, 2023.
- Speaker, “NAIC/Model Act Updates,” National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds: Legal Seminar, June 21-22, 2023.
- Speaker, “Insurance Business Transfers and Guaranty Association Protection,” International Association of Insurance Receivers: Insurance Resolution Workshop, February 2-3, 2023.
- Speaker, “BIPA – A Four-Letter Word Triggering Nine-Figure Nightmare Settlements,” APCIA National General Counsel Conference, October 27-28, 2022.
- Speaker, “Assumption Reinsurance Agreements in Receiverships,” International Association of Insurance Receivers: Insurance Resolution Workshop, February 10, 2022.

- Speaker, “Defending Disparate Impact & Rate Discrimination Allegations,” APCIA General Counsel Conference, September 29-30, 2021.
- Speaker, “Updating the Guaranty Fund Legal Framework: the Enabling Statute and the Business Entity,” National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds Virtual Legal Seminar, June 22, 2021.
- Speaker, “Antitrust Issues with Big Data and Algorithms,” February 6, 2020.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “Eliminating McCarran-Ferguson Immunity for Health Insurers – Higher Prices and Compliance Burdens,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, February 15, 2021.
- Co-author, “Illinois Adopts Substantial Workers’ Compensation Reform to Address COVID-19,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, June 9, 2020.
- Co-author, “Supreme Court Rules 8-1 That Government Must Pay Health Insurers Under ACA Risk Corridor Program,” Locke Lord QuickStudy, April 27, 2020.