

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Healthcare Law

Medical Malpractice Defense

# Christine L. Conover

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Christine Conover is a medical malpractice attorney with extensive experience defending claims against physicians, clinics and hospitals throughout the state. In addition, she represents licensed medical professionals on licensing and disciplinary issues. Ms. Conover is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Fellow of the Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers and a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates. She is a member of the Iowa State Judicial Nominating Commission and also serves on the board of directors at Simmons Perrine Moyer Bergman PLC.

Ms. Conover graduated from Iowa State University with distinction in 1995 and graduated from the University of Iowa College of Law with high distinction in 1998. She clerked for the Honorable Justice Jerry L. Larson on the Iowa Supreme Court from 1998–1999. She then practiced in Iowa City with Honohan, Epley, Braddock & Brenneman before joining Simmons Perrine Moyer Bergman PLC in 2000.

Ms. Conover has been active on the board of the Iowa Defense Counsel Association (IDCA) and served as President of IDCA from Sept. 2014 - Sept. 2015. She is also past-president of the Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys and past-president of the board of directors for Waypoint Services for Women and Children in Cedar Rapids.

Born in North Platte, Nebraska, Ms. Conover was raised on a farm in Mapleton, Iowa before relocating to Cedar Rapids.

### **Bar Admissions**

State of Iowa, 1998

## **Court Admissions**

US District Court

- o Northern District of Iowa, 2000
- Southern District of Iowa, 2000

### Education

- University of Iowa College of Law, JD, with high distinction, 1998
  - University of Iowa National Moot Court Team, 1997-1998
  - Senior Note and Comment Editor, Journal of Gender, Race, and Justice, 1997-1998
  - Van Oosterhout Moot Court Competition, 1997
- Iowa State University, BA, with distinction, 1995
  - o Phi Beta Kappa

# Clerkship

 Law Clerk to the Honorable Jerry L. Larson, Justice of the Iowa Supreme Court, 1998-1999

### Honors & Awards

- AV Rating by Martindale-Hubbell®
  - "Excellent defense attorney in the area of medical negligence."
    - -- Martindale-Hubbell®
- Included in the Best Lawyers in America® list, 2024
  - ° Health Care, Medical Malpractice Law Defendants
- Included in the Best Lawyers® "Lawyer of the Year" list in Cedar Rapids
  - Medical Malpractice Law Defendants, 2015, 2018-2020, 2022
  - ° Litigation Health Care, 2023
- Included in Great Plains Super Lawyers list, 2014-2023
  - Professional Liability Defense
- Included in the Great Plains Rising Stars® list, 2013
- Corridor Business Journal's Forty Under 40, 2006

# **Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
  - Center for Professional Responsibility Section
- Iowa State Bar Association

- Litigation Section
- Linn County Bar Association
- Iowa Defense Counsel Association
  - o Past-President, 2015-2016
  - o President, 2014-2015
  - ° President-Elect, 2013-2014
  - Secretary, 2012-2013
- Trial Academy Committee Chair, 2007; 2009
  - o Board Member, 2003-Present
- Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys
  - o President, 2002-2003
  - ° President-Elect, 2001-2002
  - Sixth District Representative, 1999-2002
- Defense Research Institute
- American College of Trial Lawyers
- Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers
- · American Board of Trial Advocates
- State Judicial Nominating Commission, 2011-2021

## **News & Events**

#### 2023

- Christine Conover Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2024, 08/17/2023
- Christine Conover Listed in 2023 Great Plains Super Lawyers, 05/30/23
- Christine Conover Recognized by Best Lawyers® as 2023 "Lawyer of the Year" for Litigation - Healthcare, 01/23/23

#### 2022

- Christine Conover Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2023, 08/19/2022
- Christine Conover Listed in 2022 Great Plains Super Lawyers, 07/28/22

#### 2021

- Eleven SPMB Attorneys Named "Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers® 2022, 08/19/2021
- Conover Completes Term for the Iowa Judicial Nominating Commission, 06/30/2021
- Conover Joins SPMB Board of Directors, 01/04/2021

- Best Lawyers In America Recognizes 37 SPMB Attorneys, 08/20/2020
- 2020 Great Plains Super Lawyers Announced, 07/31/2020