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Michael McQuillen primarily represents airlines, aircraft and product component manufacturers, and aviation insurers. As an accomplished trial lawyer with over 40 years of continuous flight experience, Mike has tried several high-profile air carrier accidents and product liability cases before juries in state and federal courts for over 38 years. Mike represents major and regional airlines, cargo carriers, helicopter operators, fixed-base operators, individual aircraft owners, and corporate operators. On the products side, he represents manufacturers of airframes, jet engines, turbine engines, piston engines, valves, vacuum pumps, autopilots, flight control systems, ground proximity warning systems, collision avoidance systems, and various other avionics and component parts. He also defends manufacturers in a variety of civilian and military accidents.

Before joining Hinshaw, Mike was a founding member and partner of Adler Murphy & McQuillen LLP for 28 years, from 1995 – 2023.

Honors & Awards

- Recognized on the Super Lawyers list by *Illinois Super Lawyers* magazine, 2024
- Recognized by Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
 - Transportation: Aviation: Litigation – USA – Nationwide, (Band 1) 2022 – 2023

Presentations

- Co-Presenter, "Case Studies: Select Legal Issues Impacting Exposure & Risk," Client CLE, Chicago, Illinois, May 9, 2024
- Panelist, "The People's Court: Obtaining and Using Information from Mock Juries," Aviation Insurance Association's Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 3, 2024
- Co-Presenter, "Navigating the Skies: Trends and Developments in Aviation Law," Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, Chicago, Illinois, October 18, 2023

Practices

Commercial Litigation

Industries

Aviation & Aerospace

Insurance Coverage

Transportation

Education

J.D., *with distinction*, University of Illinois Chicago School of Law (formerly The John Marshall Law School), 1984

B.S., Finance, Illinois State University, 1980

Admissions

Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth and Eleventh Circuits

U.S. District Court District of Colorado

U.S. District Court for the Central and Northern Districts of Illinois, including Trial Bar

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan