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OVERVIEW

Nate Ajouri helps fiduciaries and individuals navigate often complex probate and estate litigation matters. He also works with a broad spectrum of organizations in business, commercial, and municipal litigation. Nate is dedicated to helping clients through all stages of the process, working closely with them to achieve their goals. He often draws upon his experiences living and studying internationally to offer a unique perspective on his clients' concerns.

Nate received his law degree summa cum laude from Mitchell Hamline School of Law. He earned his bachelor's degree in psychology and music technology, dual honors, from Keele University in Staffordshire, U.K., and is a member of the British Psychological Society, as well as the Society's Division of Clinical Psychology and the Division's Faculty of the Psychology of Older People and Faculty of Forensic Clinical Psychology. Nate currently publishes articles and presents in the area of probate and estate litigation.

In his spare time, Nate enjoys volunteering in his communities. While in law school, he completed more than 150 volunteer hours with the Minnesota Justice Foundation and has been recognized as a North Star Lawyer for his pro bono legal work. While living in Dubai, U.A.E., Nate volunteered with United Service Organizations Inc. (USO) and assisted United States and United States ally military personnel during their rest and relaxation schedules.

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

- *Exhibit Development Group (EDG), LLC, v. City of Rochester*, Second Judicial District. Trial team member for plaintiff, the former owner of the Chateau Theatre, in successful breach of contract case in which the jury awarded EDG $335,000 in damages.
- Represented the trustees of a charitable trust in will and trust contest proceedings involving a $50 million estate and obtained a favorable judgment following a three-week bench trial.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Litigation

- Business Litigation
- Construction & Real Estate Litigation
- Insurance Recovery
- Tort & Product Liability
- Trust & Estate Litigation

BAR ADMISSIONS

Minnesota

LANGUAGES

- French
- Arabic

EDUCATION

Mitchell Hamline School of Law
J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2019
Honors: Dean's List

Keele University, Staffordshire, U.K.
B.S., 2014
Psychology and Music Technology

- *Seshadri Raju, M.D., P.A. v. Medtronic, Inc.*, Case No. 3:17-cv-357, 2021 WL 1232102 (S.D. Miss. March 31, 2021). Successfully obtained summary judgment dismissing plaintiff's trade secrets misappropriation claims and preventing plaintiff from seeking statutory damages or attorney's fees on copyright infringement claims. Also obtained a ruling striking plaintiff's expert witness reports, while denying plaintiff's request to strike defendant's expert report.

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY

- American Bar Association: Real Property, Trust & Estate Law Section, Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee, Co-Chair 2026-Present; Probate & Fiduciary Litigation Committee, Vice Chair 2024-2026
- Maslon UPLIFT: Legal Institute for Teens: Volunteer Coach
- Minnesota Wills for Heroes Program, Minnesota State Bar Association: Volunteer 2018-Present
- Hennepin County Mediation Project: Volunteer Mediator 2025-Present
- Minnesota Justice Foundation: Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services (SMRLS) Wills and Trust Clinic, Volunteer 2016-2019
- United Service Organizations, Inc. (USO): Former Volunteer

SELECTED HONORS

- **Recognized on Minnesota Rising Stars list as part of the Super Lawyers® selection process,** 2025-2026 *(Minnesota Rising Stars is a designation given to only 2.5% of Minnesota attorneys each year, based on a selection process that includes the recommendation of peers in the legal profession.)*
- **Selected for Spotlight on Talent Program,** U.S. Bank Law Division, 2024
- **Selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch**, 2026-2027 (*These awards recognize attorneys, who are earlier in their careers, for outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States.*)
- **North Star Lawyer**, Minnesota State Bar Association, 2020-2021, 2025 *(North Star Lawyer is a designation that recognizes members who provide 50 hours or more of pro bono legal services in a calendar year.)*

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- Covering Your Assets: Strategies for Future-Proof Fiduciary Decision-Making – Spring 2026
- "Authentication, Writings, and Social Media Evidence Issues," Courtroom Evidence: Learn from the Judges, Minnesota CLE, 2026
- Covering Your Assets: Strategies for Future-Proof Fiduciary Decision-Making
- Location, Location, Location: Strategies for Administering and Litigating Trusts Across State Lines
- "Mediation – Framework, Setting Expectations, and Potential Resolution," co-presenter, How to Navigate Your First (or Next) Civil Case in Minnesota State Court, Minnesota CLE, 2025
- "Duty to Inform and Report: Best Practices for Corporate Fiduciaries," panelist, Maslon LLP, 2024
- Maslon's Inaugural Forum on Wealth Management and Litigation
- "Duty to Inform and Report: Best Practices for Corporate Fiduciaries," panelist, Maslon LLP, 2024
- "Probate Property vs. Non-Probate Assets," co-presenter, Minnesota Probate Process from Start to Finish, NBI, 2024
- "Probate Disputes and Litigation," co-presenter, Minnesota Probate Process from Start to Finish, NBI, 2024
- "Duty to Inform and Report: Best Practices for Corporate Fiduciaries," panelist, Maslon LLP, 2024
- "Social Media Evidence," co-presenter, Minnesota Annual Conference of Judges, 2023
- "Mediation: Framework, Setting Expectations & Potential Resolution," co-presenter, How to Navigate Your First (or Next) Civil Case in Minnesota State Court, Minnesota CLE, 2023
- "Minnesota Rules of Evidence: Social Media Evidence," co-presenter, Minnesota CLE, 2023
- "Navigating Unique Evidentiary Issues in Probate and Trust Litigation," co-presenter, Litigating Probate & Trusts Disputes in 2022 – Let's Get Technical, Minnesota CLE

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- "Social Media Evidence," co-author, *Minnesota Courtroom Evidence Deskbook*, Minnesota CLE, 2025
- "Court Jurisdiction and Procedure," *Minnesota Trust Administration Deskbook with eFormbook, 5th Edition*, Minnesota CLE, 2025
- "Tips for Filling Cracks in Additional Insured Coverage," co-author, Associated General Contractors of Minnesota, 2024
- "Social Media Evidence," *Minnesota Courtroom Evidence Deskbook*, 3rd Edition, Minnesota CLE, 2023
- "Hindsight Is Always 20/20 in a Bear Market: Fiduciary Tools to Dull the Edge of Hindsight Bias in Trustee Investment Liability Lawsuits – Preparing for the COVID-19 Fallout," co-author, Real Property, Trust & Estate Law eReport, American Bar Association, 2020
- "Good Times Bad Times for the Music Industry: 'If the Levee Breaks' It Might Leave Musicians 'Dazed and Confused'," *Cybaris*®, Vol. 9 : Iss. 1, Article 4 (2018)