



# Wallace Saunders

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

## OUR ATTORNEYS

### Michael D. Streit

Wallace Saunders' reputation for excellence was built off the guidance of its leaders. Mike Streit is a leader who consistently strives to make the firm the best it can be. For more than 10 years, he was the managing partner of the Wichita office in Kansas, and helped grow it to an unprecedented level.

Mike is a member of the Workers' Compensation Practice Group.

#### PRACTICE GROUP(S)

- Workers' Compensation

#### EDUCATION

- The American University – Washington College of Law, Juris Doctor
  - National Moot Court Team
  - Polsky National Moot Court Competition
- Kansas State University, B.A., Political Science
  - Pi Sigma Alpha
  - Louis H. Douglas Scholarship
  - Dean's List

#### PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

- 1993-present: Wallace Saunders
  - 2015-Present: Of Counsel
  - 1998-2015: Partner
  - 2003-2013: Managing Partner, Wichita, KS
  - 2003-2013: Member, Management Committee
  - 2003-2013: Member, Accountability Committee
- 1992-1993: Turner & Boisseau, Chartered, Great Bend, Kansas
  - Attorney
- 1991-1992: Employees Compensation Appeals Board, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C.
  - Attorney



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#### PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS/CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Successful in overturning the trial court decision in Van Coller v. Massieon Farms
  - Issue of whether claimant, arguably in the country illegally and arguably without the legal capacity to enter into a valid contract of employment, was entitled to a work disability award
  - Trial court awarded work disability
  - On appeal, Mike convinced the Kansas Workers' Compensation Appeals Board that claimant was entitled to nothing more than his functional impairment
  - This establishes case law favorable to employers on whether an illegal alien is entitled to a work disability

#### PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

- Kansas
- Oklahoma
- Maryland
- Washington, D.C.
- Trial and appellate courts of Kansas and Oklahoma
- Federal District Court of Kansas
- Federal District Court of Northern Oklahoma
- All courts in Maryland and the District of Columbia

#### CIVIC ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Kansas Bar Association
- Oklahoma Bar Association
- Maryland Bar Association
- Wichita Bar Association
- District of Columbia Bar Association

#### PERSONAL

Mike bleeds Kansas State purple as well as Wallace Saunders orange. There's nothing he loves more than settling down to watch his alma mater Wildcats play.

Three words peers use to describe Michael: Dedicated, Intelligent, Hardworking