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Jesse Byam-Katzman is a business litigator who advises and represents clients in a broad spectrum of complex commercial disputes, including supply-chain litigation, distribution and manufacturing agreement disputes, claims under the Uniform Commercial Code, software and licensing agreement disputes (particularly in the fintech context), and government investigations and enforcement actions. Jesse also advises manufacturers on product distribution and dealer network matters. Jesse takes a strategic and pragmatic approach to assessing, resolving, and litigating business disputes, which includes advising on proactive strategies to manage and mitigate risk before disputes arise.

Before pursuing a career in the legal industry, Jesse worked as a claims professional for Berkshire Hathaway Homestate Companies where he was responsible for implementing reserves and managing claim litigation.

Awards and Recognition

- “Legal All-Star – Rising Young Lawyer,” by Wisconsin Law Journal, 2022
- Wisconsin Pro Bono Honor Society, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022

Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Associations
- Milwaukee Bar Association
- Thomas E. Fairchild American Inn of Court (past member)

Pro Bono

Jesse has devoted hundreds of hours to pro bono representation of indigent community members, representing incarcerated persons for claims relating to civil rights violations, refugees seeking asylum, tenants facing eviction, and local nonprofits in connection with nuisance and trespass claims.

Presentations and Publications

- Co-Editor, *Business Torts – A Fifty State Guide (Wisconsin Chapter)*, Aspen Publishers, Inc.
- Co-Author, *Managing Your Dealer Council to Avoid Antitrust Risks*, *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (June 16, 2021)

Sectors

- [Manufacturing](#)
- [Racial Justice & Equity](#)

Practice Areas

- [Business Litigation & Dispute Resolution](#)
- [Distribution & Franchise](#)
- [False Claims Act](#)
- [Government Enforcement Defense & Investigations](#)
- [Insurance & Reinsurance Litigation](#)
- [Litigation](#)

Education

- Marquette University Law School (J.D., summa cum laude, 2017)
 - Business Editor, *Marquette Law Review*
 - Student leader, Academic and Supplemental Success Programs
 - CALI Awards for highest grade, including awards in advanced civil procedure, evidence, and advanced legal research
 - Dean's list for six semesters
- Lawrence University (B.A., cum laude, 2012)

Admissions

- Wisconsin
- Minnesota
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
- United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois