

Elisabeth Tursi Invited to be a Fellow in the Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers

February 2024 – DES MOINES – Elisabeth Tursi has been inducted as a Fellow of The Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers. The Board of Governors of the Academy unanimously agreed to invite Elisabeth to be a Fellow, and her induction was at the Academy’s annual meeting this month. Ms. Tursi is a partner at The Weinhardt Law Firm and practices in the areas of complex commercial litigation, white collar criminal defense, trials, and appeals.

The Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers is an invitation-only association of Iowa practicing trial lawyers. Fellowship is based upon sponsorship and recommendations from peers and judges and requires unanimous approval from the Board of Governors. The Academy’s website explains, “Fellowship is limited to 250 attorneys who have displayed exceptional skills and the highest integrity and who have dedicated their professional lives primarily to trial practice.” Ms. Tursi gratefully accepted the invitation to join the Academy and will accept her membership certificate at the Academy’s annual seminar in February 2024.



Ms. Tursi graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Luther College and with high distinction from the University of Iowa College of Law. While in law school, she was actively involved in the Iowa Law Review. Following law school, Ms. Tursi served as a judicial clerk for the Honorable John A. Jarvey of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa. Before joining The Weinhardt Law Firm, Ms. Tursi was an Assistant Polk County Attorney in Des Moines, Iowa.

“Elisabeth’s well-deserved recognition by her peers closely follows her becoming a partner of our firm,” said senior partner Mark Weinhardt, who is also a Fellow in the Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers as well as the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers. “Every partner in our firm is a Fellow in the Iowa Academy, and Elisabeth is carrying on a tradition of which we are all very proud.”

Ms. Tursi is a member of the American Bar Association, Iowa State Bar Association, and the Polk County Bar Association. Ms. Tursi is admitted to practice in the State of Iowa and the U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit; U.S. District Court, Southern District of Iowa; and U.S. District Court, Northern District of Iowa.

Elisabeth lives in Des Moines with her husband, Matt, and their English bulldog, Louie.

About The Weinhardt Law Firm

The Weinhardt Law Firm is a boutique firm that specializes in the litigation of complex civil and criminal cases. The firm has extensive experience in all types of civil and criminal matters, but its attorneys concentrate their practices in complex business disputes and the defense of white-collar criminal matters. The firm practices in federal and state courts in Iowa and across the United States. The Weinhardt Law Firm is located at 2600 Grand Avenue, Suite 450, Des Moines, less than 10 minutes from the U.S. Courthouse and the Polk County Courthouse, and eight minutes from the Des Moines International Airport. To learn more, visit www.WeinhardtLaw.com or call (515) 244-3100.