



Craig Capilla is a trial lawyer, concentrating his practice in a wide range of civil litigation, including professional liability and commercial claims. He has successfully defended residential and commercial appraisers and appraisal firms accused of negligence or improper activity in their valuation services. Craig has also represented numerous licensed professionals in state licensing matters, including real estate brokers, real estate appraisers, and medical doctors.

Craig developed his skills as a trial lawyer while working as a staff prosecutor for the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, where he learned and effectively applied the rules of evidence in trying more than 60 cases while also bringing a high volume of cases to settlement prior to trial. Additionally, Craig has experience in drafting contracts, business agreements, and consulting in corporate governance and formation.

Craig has experience in various state and federal civil litigation matters and administrative hearings before regulatory agencies including: Qui tam defense, civil RICO matters, professional malpractice, construction defect litigation, breach of contract, breach of warranty, mechanics' liens, general tort liability, homeowners' association and landlord/tenant disputes, and professional licensing. He has appeared for clients in a number of jurisdictions throughout Illinois, including various courts in Cook, DuPage, Lake, Carroll, Lee, and Kane counties and the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Craig has been a featured speaker on multiple occasions to various professional organizations including:

The Illinois Coalition of Appraisal Professionals

The Illinois Association of Certified Real Estate Appraisers

The Chicago Chapter of the Appraisal Institute

The Chicago Chapter of the American Society of Appraisers

The National Association of Certified Home Inspectors Chicagoland Chapter

Education

Craig earned a B.A. from the University of Michigan in 2004, majoring in History and Political Science. He then earned a Juris Doctor from the DePaul University College of Law in 2007.

Craig is authorized to practice law in the State of Illinois and is a member of the trial bar of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.