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Britta Sahlstrom Named IDC Volunteer of the Year

Britta Sahlstrom of SmithAmundsen, LLC in Chicago has been named the 2021 Volunteer of the Year by the Illinois Defense Counsel. Ms. Sahlstrom was recognized for her many contributions to the IDC.

IDC President Nicole Milos of AAIS in Lisle remarked, “A volunteer is defined as someone who freely offers to do something. Britta has taken that definition to the extreme, freely offering her time, expertise, and abilities to IDC. Whether serving on the Board of Directors, the *Quarterly* Editorial Board, the Insurance Law Committee, the Practice Development Committee, serving as a leader of the Strategic Planning Education pillar, or working toward the creation of a new IDC program, the A to Z Litigation Academy, Britta has proved to be an invaluable member to IDC. Her dedication to IDC exemplifies what IDC seeks to recognize in the Volunteer of the Year award.”

“I’m honored to receive the 2021 Volunteer of the Year Award from the IDC. I have greatly enjoyed working with the IDC and I look forward to continuing to serve the legal community through the work of the organization for years to come,” said Ms. Sahlstrom.

IDC Executive Director Sandra Wulf remarked “Our volunteers contribute to the association in so many ways – generously giving their time, energy, enthusiasm and expertise to help their fellow members and the defense community at large. Britta Sahlstrom embodies this generosity in all of her work for the IDC. Whether she is sharing her expertise or working through our committees to improve the defense community, Britta is an indispensable member of the association. I am so pleased to recognize Britta for all that she contributes. Congratulations and job well done, Britta!”

Britta Sahlstrom is an associate with SmithAmundsen’s Insurance Services Group in the Chicago office. She concentrates her practice on various aspects of coverage litigation and is involved with all forms of coverage disputes, including personal, commercial and professional lines of insurance. Ms. Sahlstrom attended University of Wisconsin Law School where she was an editor of the *Wisconsin Law Review*, a member of the Mock Trial team and the competition chair for the Moot Court Board. She is licensed to practice in Illinois and Wisconsin. Ms. Sahlstrom is a member of the Illinois Defense Counsel Board of Directors, Executive Editor of the *IDC Quarterly*, and a member of the IDC Insurance Law Committee. Ms. Sahlstrom was selected to the Illinois Super Lawyers "Rising Stars" List: 2019, 2020, 2021 and received the IDC Rising Star Award in 2018.

The IDC was organized in 1964 and has 600 members. The mission of the Illinois Defense Counsel is to advance the interests of the defense bar by ensuring civil justice with integrity, civility, and professional competence.

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