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The majority of Mr. Rapp's practice is devoted to defending alleged criminal matters and driving under the influence charges in courtrooms throughout Kansas.

OVERVIEW

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Mr. Rapp has been recognized with honors by many legal organizations and by his peers for his litigation defense. He has been recognized by Best Lawyers since 2018 in the areas of Criminal Defense: General Practice, White-Collar Criminal Defense, and DUI/DWI Defense. In addition, he was selected as the Best Lawyers 'Lawyer of the Year' in DUI Defense in 2020. In 2021, he was again honored as Lawyer of the Year in Criminal Defense. He is consistently recognized by Super Lawyers and has also been recognized as a Wichita Business Journal 40 Under 40 recipient.

Mr. Rapp's practice includes civil and criminal litigation. He is a member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the National College for DUI Defense, the Wichita Bar Association, the Kansas Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He is licensed to practice in municipal, state and federal courts in Kansas as well as the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri.

AFFILIATIONS

- Best Lawyers
  - — 2018 - Present (DUI/DWI Defense)
  - — 2018 - Present (Criminal Defense)
  - — 2020 - Present (Criminal Defense: White Collar)
  - — 2023 - Present (Litigation - Construction)
  - — 2024 - Present (Criminal Defense: General Practice)
  - - 2026, 2027 - bet the company litigation
- Best Lawyers 'Lawyer of the Year'
  - — 2021, 2025 (DUI/DWI Defense)
  - — 2022 (Criminal Defense: General Practice)
  - — 2025 (Criminal Defense: White-Collar)

PRACTICE AREAS

- ATF Licensing and Compliance
- Civil Litigation
- Civil Rights Defense of Governmental Entities
- Criminal Defense
- Construction Law
- DUI
- Employment Law & Litigation
- Govt Investigations & White Collar Crime
- Professional Negligence & Licensure Litigation

EDUCATION

- University of Kansas School of Law, J.D., 2002
- Newman University, B.S., 2000

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Kansas Supreme Court
- United States District Court, District of Kansas
- United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri

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— 2023 (Litigation - Construction)
— 2027 (Bet - the- Company Litigation, DUI/DWI Defense)
- Heartspring Board of Trustee, 2014 - 2020
- Kansas Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Kansas Bar Association
- Kansas Judicial Council
  — DUI Advisory Committee, 2018 - Present
- Martindale Hubbell AV 4.9 Rating, Criminal Law, General Practice
- Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers
  — 2014 - Present
- Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers- Rising Star
  — 2011 - 2013
- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- National College for DUI Defense
- Wichita Bar Association
  — President, Young Lawyers Section, 2007 - 2008
  — Member Board of Governors, 2008 - 2010
  — Secretary/Treasurer, 2011 - 2012
  — Vice President, 2016 - 2017
  — President Elect, 2017 - 2018
  — President, 2018 - 2019
- Wichita Crime Commission
  — Board of Directors

PUBLICATIONS

- “COVID-19 v. Criminal Defendants”, Kansas Bar Journal, November/December 2020.
- John frequently posts on his blog: duiwichita.com

SELECT PRESENTATIONS & SEMINARS

- A Panel Presentation of Tips, Tricks and Best Practices. Wichita Bar Association Criminal Practice CLE. Wichita, KS – August 2020.
- Trial Tips and Tricks. Wichita Bar Association Criminal Practice CLE. Wichita, KS - May 2019.
- Family Law 2017; Evidence Presentation. Wichita Bar Association. Wichita, KS - Spring 2017.
- Pitfalls in Traffic Cases. Kansas Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. Wichita, KS - 2013.
- Basic Criminal Practice 101. Wichita Bar Association. Wichita, KS - 2013.
- Practical Skills Sedgwick County 101. Wichita Bar Association, Wichita - KS, 2006-2013.
- DUI Case Law Update. Lorman Education Services. Kansas City, KS - 2007.
- Ethics in DUI Cases. National College for DUI Defense. Las Vegas, NV - 2006.

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