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Dean Zimmerli, a partner of Gislason and Hunter, grew up on a Southern Minnesota farm. He understands and appreciates the work farmers do to maintain their business and feed and fuel the country. Much of the work he does relates to the agriculture industry. His practice includes civil litigation related to agriculture law and agribusiness, business and corporate law, real estate, environmental law and land use, finance and banking, commercial disputes and general litigation.

Zimmerli's broad experience in civil litigation beyond collection and enforcement actions allows him to provide comprehensive representation to banks and other creditors through the entirety of a lending relationship with a borrower. He regularly represents banks and other creditors in bankruptcy and state courts to enforce the creditor's rights, recover collateral and maximize recovery on troubled loans.

He has developed expertise and a unique perspective in drainage and water law, by representing project proponents, concerned landowners and drainage authorities. Zimmerli represents clients throughout the drainage project process from preparing petitions, to advocating at drainage authority meetings and hearings and litigating drainage appeals. Serving as an advisor to landowners or other stakeholders with concerns over potential projects, he represents clients from all points of view on drainage projects.

Beyond drainage, he helps clients with various regulatory and environmental concerns related to water and agriculture, including disputes between landowners concerning water, flooding, crop loss and more.

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## Practice Areas

Agriculture Law & Agribusiness  
Business & Corporate Law  
Finance & Banking  
Litigation  
Real Estate, Environmental Law & Land Use

## Court Admissions

State of Minnesota  
United States District Court for the District of Minnesota

## Education

Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, 2014  
Hamline University School of Law  
  
Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, 2012  
Hamline University

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