



# Brian C. Rocca

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Brian Rocca has spent his career building a diverse civil trial practice. He has tried a broad range of cases, taking more than 75 of them to verdict. In recent years, his trial practice has focused on defending physicians and other professionals in professional negligence cases. He also has significant experience with product liability and complex commercial litigation.

The issues Brian has handled range from allegations of brain damage at birth to a near-meltdown at a nuclear power plant in Ohio caused by alleged poor engineering. Brian has tried many cases in federal and state courts and has also represented employers in numerous proceedings before the Illinois Human Rights Commission and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, as well as in arbitration cases.

Brian has also lectured before and presented to Illinois State Bar Association continuing legal education programs, medical groups and insurers on a number of legal issues, including trial practice; injunction and restraining order actions; employment practices; risk management; patient confidentiality; and records management and maintenance.

#### Education

- University of Iowa, J.D. 1982 with distinction
- University of Northern Iowa, B.A. 1976 with high honors

#### **Bar Admissions**

- Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit

- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois Trial Bar
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

## **Professional Experience**

### **Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel
- Illinois Society of Trial Lawyers

### Awards

- Highest Martindale-Hubbell rating, AV Preeminent
- Illinois Super Lawyers 2005—2019

### **Related News**

- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers
- Pretzel & Stouffer Attorneys Recognized as Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell
- <u>Trial Victory for Surgeon</u>
- Trial Victory for Otolaryngology Surgeon (ENT/HNS)
- Dismissal of a Complaint Brought Against an Insurance Producer

### **Related Results**

• <u>Michael Barry assisted by Brian Rocca successfully defended two obstetricians in Cook</u> <u>County</u>