Pretzel & Stouffer
Since 1946

Class Action & Multidistrict Litigation

Pretzel & Stouffer frequently defends companies against class action suits or suits involved in federal multidistrict litigation (MDL). In handling such expansive and intricate claims, our trial attorneys pursue all possible avenues to secure a favorable disposition for our clients, whether through outright dismissal, negotiated settlement or defeat of class certification.

We understand that these protracted matters are often intrusive and threaten to disrupt a company's operations. With this knowledge, we move swiftly to conduct a thorough analysis of the potential exposure, available defenses and the strengths and weaknesses of each case. We then use this comprehensive assessment to guide our clients in navigating such claims, collaborating with them to make decisions on how best to promptly and efficiently defend their interests. In such cases, an effective and thorough pre-trial strategy will often dictate the ultimate outcome of the case.

In many instances, nationwide claims present a risk of liability for attorneys' fees. We find that this risk often is more significant than the value of the underlying claim itself. Our efficient and proven approach to the defense of class action and MDL claims minimizes this exposure for our clients.

We have handled a wide array of class action, attempted class action and MDL claims, including cases involving: data breaches; Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act (FACTA); Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA); Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA); False Claims Act; Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA); Labor and Employment Issues; Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act (BIPA); Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act; Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA); Chicago Landlord and Tenant Ordinance (RLTO); and Truth in Lending Act.

Our class action practice is both well-known and well-respected. Our reputation for proficiency and excellence in this field is highly valued by our clients.