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BIOGRAPHY

Stephen Strauss is the Leader of the firm's Product Liability Client Service Group and an accomplished trial lawyer with cases tried to verdict in 10 states and numerous federal courts. He serves as Leader of the firm's Catastrophic Accidents Mass Tort Team. Mr. Strauss' litigation and trial practice focuses on complex product liability and commercial matters, including class actions, Multi-District Litigation (MDL), mass torts and consumer fraud claims. He also handles Media and First Amendment issues and is a former working journalist, as well as a Journalism and Media Law instructor. He has extensive experience with civil and product liability litigation, including auto manufacturers, power tool companies, gas and electrical appliances and valves, and industrial machinery; as well as their related component part manufacturers. Mr. Strauss also has managed mass tort litigation and has significant experience working with epidemiologists, pathologists,

oncologists, orthopedic surgeons, neurologists and other scientists and medical specialists that provide crucial support and testimony in complex product liability and medical device cases. He has handled cases as lead attorney and as part of an experienced BCLP trial team and also is regularly involved in work as part of a national trial team in conjunction with other top U.S. law firms.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Catastrophic Accidents

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT & HONORS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants, 2020
- Corporate America, Legal Elite, Best for Class & Derivative Actions, 2015-present
- *Missouri/Kansas Super Lawyers*, 2008-2017 Product Liability and Mass Tort Litigation
- Law Clerk to the Hon. E. Richard Webber, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, 1996-1998
- Law Clerk to the Hon. Duane Benton, Missouri Supreme Court, 1993-1994
- University of Missouri School of Journalism – Broadcast News Instructor, 1989-1996
- KOMU TV (NBC), Columbia, Missouri - News Operations Manager, 1989-1996
- University of Missouri Tiger Scholarship Fund
- The Joshua Chamberlain Society - Advisory Board Member
- Muscular Dystrophy Association
- Catholic Youth Council, Archdiocese of St. Louis - Basketball Director, Youth Soccer, Basketball Coach

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- The Missouri Bar Association

- Missouri Bar – Media Law Committee (1989-present); Patent, Trademark & Copyright Law Committee (1999-present)
- The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis – Bench and Bar Committee (1995-present)
- Defense Research Institute - Drug and Device Law
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- Member, Diversity Law Institute, Litigation Counsel of America

ADMISSIONS

- Illinois, 2003
- Missouri, 1996
- United States District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri, Western District of Arkansas, Central, Northern and Southern Districts of Illinois, District of Kansas, Northern District of Mississippi, and District of Nebraska

EDUCATION

University of Missouri-Columbia, J.D., 1995

University of Missouri-Columbia, B.J., 1989

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- Class Actions & Mass Torts
- Financial Services
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Antitrust Class Actions
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- Food, Ag & Nutrition (Class Actions)
- Regulation, Compliance & Advisory
- Consumer Fraud
- Consumer Products
- Food, Ag & Nutrition
- Insurance (Class Actions)
- Pharmaceutical & Medical Devices (Class Actions)
- Pharmaceutical & Medical Devices (Mass Torts)

- Class Actions
- Mass Torts & Product Liability
- Employment Class & Collective Actions
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- Toxic Tort
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