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ABOUT STEPHEN J.

The Managing Director of Galloway's St. Louis office, Stephen Moore loves the art of trying cases, crafting arguments that appeal to and persuade not only the jury, but also opposing counsel, opposing parties, and the court. He is passionate about the process of assembling a case from the disparate facts and law that make up any lawsuit and presenting that case to a jury. Stephen also believes in the importance of listening to clients to determine their definition of success in any matter. He works as collaboratively, efficiently, and costeffectively as possible to ensure an outcome in the best interest of his client. Stephen's clients appreciate his proactive communication and responsiveness, as he is always ready to offer a suggestion, answer a question, or provide an update. He also strives to understand his clients' business objectives the big picture into which litigation must fit. He often participates in his clients' industry associations and offers clients tailored educational presentations on subjects related to risk management, discovery, and trial preparation.

Stephen has defended commercial insurers, businesses, and professionals in personal injury and property damage cases since 1994. He frequently handles construction, wrongful death, negligence, professional liability, premises liability, commercial auto, construction defect, fraud, coverage, and first-party property litigation. In recent years he has developed a focus on insurance coverage and bad faith litigation.

Stephen started the firm's St. Louis office after relocating there with his pregnant wife and three-year-old following Hurricane Katrina. For fun, Stephen runs and loves spending time with his family. He also enjoys publishing and speaking on a variety of legal topics, including insurance coverage and bad faith.

Practices

Construction Litigation Insurance Defense & Coverage Premises Liability Professional Liability

Industries

Amusement, Entertainment, Hospitality & Sports Commercial/Corporate Construction Retail & Restaurant Transportation

Education

- J.D., cum laude, Tulane University Law School, 1994
- B.A., Missouri Southern State University, 1991

Admissions

- Connecticut, 1994
- Illinois, 2007
- Louisiana, 1995
- Missouri, 2006
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, 2004
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, 2007

Representative Matters

- Achieved a complete defense verdict in favor of a marina client in a boat explosion personal injury case in which the pre-trial demand was \$12.5 million.
- Achieved a favorable outcome in a jury trial regarding allegations of a defective tree stand that collapsed, causing injuries. The jury verdict was half the final pretrial demand and a small fraction of what the plaintiff requested at trial.
- Recovered \$3.2 million for a subrogation client in a case involving a grain elevator explosion. The case settled as soon as the jury was seated.
- On behalf of a housing authority client, achieved a favorable settlement of a 30-plaintiff housing discrimination claim in federal court in Illinois.

Awards & Recognitions



Martindale-Hubbell'



- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri, 2008
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, 2007
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 2008
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois, 2008

Associations

- Louisiana Bar Association
- Missouri State Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- International Amusement and Leisure Defense Association (IALDA)
- Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers