

## Laura J. Ginett

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### ILLINOIS

*As a member of the catastrophic trial team, Laura J. Ginett is available to practice in all of our offices and across the country, on a case by case basis.*

#### OVERVIEW

Laura Ginett concentrates her practice on the defense of hospitals and long-term care facilities. She has significant experience with cases involving assault and psychiatric issues, including involuntary commitment and suicide. She has dealt with high exposure cases that have involved media management.

Laura values personal relationships with her clients, co-defense counsel, opposing counsel and those who comprise her team at HPS. She believes if people bring their best selves to the process that the fair resolution of claims becomes a simpler task. Where other counsel are receptive, she believes in alternate dispute resolution. This is not always possible, however, and Laura has taken more than 25 cases to verdict. Laura makes herself available to everyone in the process and treats the counseling aspect of her practice with respect. Litigation has the potential to breed anxiety and she works to minimize that for her clients through preparation and communication. Laura has two kids and six step kids and is quite comfortable with chaos.

#### AWARDS & RECOGNITION

In 2000, Laura was elected to membership in the Society of Trial Lawyers, an elite, invitation-only group, which is comprised of many of Chicago's top trial lawyers on both the defense and plaintiffs' sides. Of particular meaning to Laura is the Society's focus on maintaining the highest ethical standards in the trial of cases; and in promoting closer relationships between and among trial lawyers and the judiciary to further their common interests in the jury trial system. She served on the Society's board from 2005-2007.

In 2011, she became an Associate Member of the American Board of Trial Advocates. In addition, Laura has been named a Leading Lawyer since 2011.

#### MEMBERSHIPS

- Society of Trial Lawyers
- American Board of Trial Advocates, *Associate Member*

#### AREAS OF FOCUS

- Healthcare Litigation
- Long-Term Care Litigation and Counseling
- Catastrophic Trial Team

#### EDUCATION

**Boston University  
School of Law**  
J.D. *cum laude*

**University of Illinois,  
Urbana-Champaign**  
B.A. Political Science,  
Philosophy (1983)

#### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois (1986)