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ILLINOIS

OVERVIEW

Jacob Goldstein joined the firm in 2006 and is a member of its litigation, transportation and appellate practice groups. In his litigation practice, Jake focuses his multi-faceted practice on commercial litigation, aviation litigation, employment litigation and professional liability matters. He represents publicly and privately held companies, airlines, airline manufacturers, commercial airline operators, insurers, healthcare providers, and other professionals in mediation and administrative proceedings and state and federal courts. Jake frequently devotes much of his practice towards proactively counseling his clients on adopting protective measures designed to prevent litigation where possible. However, when litigation is unavoidable, Jake aggressively advocates for his clients, frequently achieving dispositive success before trial.

In his appellate practice, Jake handles matters across a broad range of substantive legal areas, including professional liability, products liability, aviation law, constitutional issues, and employment matters. Jake has represented clients in several state and federal courts, including the Illinois, Nevada, Florida and Utah reviewing courts, the U.S. Courts of Appeal for the 7th and 9th Circuits, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Outside of his professional responsibilities, Jake also serves as an Adjunct Professor of Appellate Legal Writing and Advocacy at Loyola University Chicago School of Law and as Chairman of the Sponsorship Committee for the Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association. In addition, Jake serves as the director of the HPS Institute, the firm's associate training and development program. In this role, Jake organizes and oversees seminars covering a variety of topics, including effective legal writing and advocacy, direct and cross-examination at deposition and trial, and negotiation strategies.

While in law school, Jake served as a judicial extern for Justice David A. Erickson, Illinois Appellate Court, 1st District, and for Judge Bruce W. Black, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois. He also participated in both the John J. Gibbons National Moot Court Competition and the Chicago Bar Association Moot Court Competition.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Appellate
- Healthcare Litigation
- Transportation Litigation
- Employment

EDUCATION

The John Marshall Law School

J.D. (2006)

University of Wisconsin- Madison

B.A. (2000)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois (2006)

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals, (7th Cir.)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois
- Illinois Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, (9th Cir.)

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

In 2018, Jake was selected by his peers for inclusion on the list of Illinois Super Lawyers. In 2016, he was selected as a “Rising Star” by Illinois Super Lawyers. Jake also has been recognized as an “Emerging Lawyer” by Leading Lawyers, which determines the top lawyers who are 40 years or younger and have proven themselves professional, ethical and experienced at an early point in their legal career. The distinction of being an “Emerging Lawyer” has been earned by fewer than two percent of all lawyers licensed to practice in Illinois.

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association