

Michael Tarpey

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

OVERVIEW

Mike Tarpey is a trial lawyer, concentrating in the defense of catastrophic product liability and medical negligence claims. Mike's clients include leading truck and auto manufacturers, industrial equipment manufacturers, leading hardware corporations and top university hospitals in the Chicago metropolitan area.

For more than 25 years, Mike has been considered by his clients as a "go to" guy for trial, resulting in many successful defense verdicts in a wide variety of areas, including but not limited to, product liability, medical malpractice, construction, breach of contract, insurance coverage, railroad and transportation. Mike has also handled multiple mediations and arbitrations as well as arguments before the First District Appellate Court of Illinois and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining HPS in 2008, Mike was a founding member of Donohue Brown Mathewson and Smyth, LLC from 1995 to 2008. He began his legal career with Baker & McKenzie, where he worked as an associate from 1989-1995.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Mike has been recognized as a "Leading Lawyer" in the areas of product liability and medical malpractice.

He has achieved the highest rating possible by Martindale Hubbell's peer review system and has been elected in to the Illinois Society of Trial Lawyers and the International Association of Defense Counsel.

Most recently, Mike was nominated for election in to the American Board of Trial Advocates and selected by Travelers Insurance as a member of its Excess Claims Panel Counsel.

In the past, Mike served on the Board of Directors for the Chicago Trial Lawyers Club.

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Product Liability
- Catastrophic Trial Team
- Healthcare Litigation
- Transportation Litigation
- Commercial General Liability

EDUCATION

Villanova University Law School
J.D. (1989)

**University of Illinois,
Urbana-Champaign**
B.S. (1986)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois (1989)

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois (1990)
- U.S. District Court, Federal Trial Bar
- U.S. Court of Appeals (7th Circuit)
- Admitted pro hac vice in several states