



## Stephanie F. Jones

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### RELATED SERVICES

- Commercial Litigation
- Environmental & Toxic Tort
- Professional Liability Defense
- Trucking
- Catastrophic & Traumatic Brain Injury Defense
- Employment
- Product Liability
- Consumer Financial Services
- Asbestos & Talc
- Transportation

### OFFICES

- Chicago
- Milwaukee
- Irvine

### OVERVIEW

Stephanie F. Jones mitigates risk and delivers results to her clients by partnering with them to understand the needs of their business, recognizing the nuances specific to each product or service, and counseling them through contentious situations. As Co-Managing Partner in the Chicago office, Stephanie specializes in defending employers, decision-makers, insurance agents and brokers and businesses in commercial, business, employment, professional liability, consumer, and environmental & toxic tort litigation matters. She has successfully litigated cases on behalf of her clients before administrative agencies, and in various state and federal courts throughout the country.

From complex product liability litigation matters to negotiating through business disputes, Stephanie's experience has given her the ability to provide a comprehensive suite of litigation services to her clients.

In 2020, Stephanie was selected as one of the “40 Under Forty” Illinois attorneys to watch by the Law Bulletin Media, publishers of Chicago Lawyer magazine and the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin. There were more than 1,500 attorneys in Illinois who were nominated by their peers to be considered for the honor.

Stephanie received her J.D., *cum laude*, from The John Marshall Law School. While in law school, she served as a staff editor of The John Marshall Law Review, an Associate Barrister for the Trial Advocacy and Dispute Resolution Honors Board, a teaching assistant, and the President of the Corporate Law Society.

Prior to law school, Stephanie attended the University of California, Santa Barbara where she earned a B.A. in Law & Society. While there, she was a member of the NCAA Division I Women's Swim Team, a Law & Society peer advisor, and the President of Mortar Board. When not practicing law, Stephanie enjoys spending time with her husband and three children.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Quoted, General Partnership: What is a General Partnership and How to Form One, *Fundera Ledger*, June 2019
- WARNING: Illinois 25-Year Statute of Repose No Longer Prohibits Claims Against Employers, *GRSM Environmental & Toxic Tort Defense Insight Blog*, May 2019
- Panic Attacks Covered Under the ADA, According to Arkansas District Court, *GRSM Employment Law Update*, May 2019
- Interview, Thrive in Your Legal Career, The Decisive Utterance, *The Newspaper for the John Marshall Legal Community*, Volume 56, Issue 2, October 2018
- Personal injury plaintiff cannot rely solely on expert opinion to create a question of fact on proximate causation, *Illinois State Bar Association's Bench & Bar Section Council Newsletter*, vol. 48, no. 7, January 2018
- The Ethics of Conflicts of Interest, GRSM Professional Liability Webinar, March 2017
- Hoosier State Eliminates Asbestos Statute of Repose, [www.ettdefenseinsight.com](http://www.ettdefenseinsight.com), March 2016
- Multiple trial courts toss out “single fiber” causation theory under both federal and state law, [www.ettdefenseinsight.com](http://www.ettdefenseinsight.com), June 2015

## PRESENTATIONS

- Oops, They Did It Again: Avoiding Malpractice Mayhem in Professional Services, GRSM Legal Education Conference, New York, NY, May 2025

- Oops, They Did It Again: Avoiding Malpractice Mayhem in Professional Services, GRSM Legal Education Conference, Hartford, CT, May 2025
- Loose Lips Still Sink Ship: Avoiding Professional Liability Pitfalls in a Hybrid World, GRSM Legal Education Conference, New York, NY, May 2024
- Loose Lips Still Sink Ship: Avoiding Professional Liability Pitfalls in a Hybrid World, GRSM Legal Education Conference, Hartford, CT, April 2024
- Environmental & Toxic Tort Update: Review of Key Issues and Cases, GRSM Legal Education Conference, New York, NY, May 2023
- Environmental & Toxic Tort Update: Review of Key Issues and Cases, GRSM Legal Education Conference, Hartford, CT, May 2023
- COVID-19 and the Asbestos Litigation, Travelers Insurance (April and June 2020)
- Moderator, Navigating the Gray Area in the World of #MeToo, Coalition of Women's Initiatives in Law, Chicago, IL, April 2018
- Bah-Humbug: Minimizing Social Media and Other Risks of the Holiday Party, GRSM National Employment Law Webinar, November 2015
- Social Media in the Workplace, GRSM National Employment Law Webinar, October 2014

## CREDENTIALS

### Admissions

- Illinois
- California
- Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court, Northern, Central and Southern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court, Northern, Central and Southern District of California
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

### Memberships

- 2020-21 Vice-Chair Appointment to the Toxic Torts and Environmental Law General Committee
- The Coalition of Women's Initiatives in Law: 2019-2020 Treasurer; Former Co-Chairman of the Associate Committee
- DRI Women in the Law
- DRI For Life
- American Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association

### **Community Involvement**

- Constitutional Rights Foundation, Attorneys in the Classroom
- Chicago Bar Association, Wills for Heroes
- Trio Animal Foundation

### **Education**

- J.D., *cum laude*, The John Marshall Law School, 2013
  - *The John Marshall Law Review*, Staff Editor
  - Trial Advocacy and Dispute Resolution Honors Board Associate Barrister
  - CALI Award Professional Responsibility
- B.A., Law & Society, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2007

### **Clerkships**

- Honorable John W. Darrah, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- Honorable Richard J. Elrod, Law Division of the Cook County Circuit Court

### **Honors**

- *Best Lawyers in America*® distinction in Commercial Litigation (2025)
- *Best Lawyers in America*® Ones to Watch distinction in Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants (2023-2024), Labor and Employment Law – Management (2024)
- Named one of the Top Women in Law by *Law Bulletin Media* (2022)
- “40 Under Forty” Illinois Attorneys to Watch, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin & Chicago Lawyer (2020)
- Illinois Emerging Lawyer in Commercial Litigation and Employment: Management Law, *Law Bulletin Media Leading Lawyers* (2018, 2019)
- *Super Lawyers*® Rising Stars distinction in General Litigation, Personal Injury – Products: Defense, Business Litigation, Class Action/Mass Torts: Defense, and Employment Litigation: Defense (2019-2024)