

Professional Liability

Professionals, serving professionals. Our passion to defend the wide scope of professional liability claims is evidenced by our track record.

Our dedication and skill, along with our commitment to excellence, service, and value, drive successful results for our clients. Our attorneys have successfully defended thousands of professionals against claims of wrongdoing. The sophistication of these clients and the claims against them demands a sophisticated approach to resolution. We deliver those results.

Our success is rooted in the concept that when our clients ask us to try cases, we are ready, willing, and able to take a case through to verdict. The experience of taking cases to verdict and on appeal serves as the basis for our creative approach, our strategic advantage, and the recommendations to the defense team in every case we handle.

Thoughtful planning, attention to detail, and ongoing communication among the defense team provides clarity to the progression of the case, whether the goal is early resolution, dispositive motion, or an aggressive defense through trial. This process best assures successful results and long-term satisfaction for our professional clientele.

Case Results

AUGUST 29, 2023

Oldenburg and Boeckman Prevail in Defending Immunity in COVID-19 Cases

MAY 23, 2023

Flynn Obtains Appellate Affirmation of Summary Judgment in St. Louis Professional Liability Case

JULY 18, 2022

Hamilton and Magee Earn Summary Judgment in Legal Malpractice Case

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NOVEMBER 16, 2015

Tunney and Elworth Successfully Defended Plaintiff's Appeal

NOVEMBER 5, 2014

Reda and Champlin Win Summary Judgment for United States Steel

AUGUST 22, 2014

Noce and Mueller Secure Judgment for Client

NOVEMBER 12, 2012

Noce and Mueller Obtain Defense Verdict for Client

Insights

News

NOVEMBER 2, 2023 | RECOGNITION

HeplerBroom Included in Best Law Firms® 2024 Edition

AUGUST 17, 2023 | RECOGNITION

Three HeplerBroom Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2024 "Lawyers of the Year"

AUGUST 17, 2023 | RECOGNITION

28 HeplerBroom Attorneys Honored with Inclusion on 2024 Best Lawyers Lists

MAY 2, 2023 | RECOGNITION

Oldenburg Receives National Industry Defender Award

NOVEMBER 3, 2022 | RECOGNITION

HeplerBroom Ranked Nationally as a 2023 "Best Law Firm"

AUGUST 2, 2022 | RECOGNITION

Oldenburg Nominated for Defense Attorney of the Year

JUNE 14, 2022 | FIRM NEWS

Reda is Certified Mediator

MAY 19, 2022 | FIRM NEWS

Banasek Elected to Risk Management Society Board of Directors

NOVEMBER 4, 2021 | RECOGNITION

HeplerBroom Ranked Nationally as a 2022 "Best Law Firm"

JUNE 8, 2021 | RECOGNITION

Magee and Noce Named to Elite List of Powerful Defense Attorneys

AUGUST 25, 2020 | RECOGNITION

Three HeplerBroom Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2021 "Lawyers Of The Year"

Susan A. Wagener

Christian R. Willenborg, MD

RELATED PRACTICES

Dental Malpractice

Legal Malpractice

Long-Term Care Malpractice

Medical & Healthcare
Malpractice

Producer Errors & Omissions

NOVEMBER 29, 2018 | RECOGNITION

Magee Named to Top 50 Lawyers in St. Louis

NOVEMBER 1, 2016 | RECOGNITION

HeplerBroom Ranked a 2017 Tier 1 "Best Law Firm"

Publications

OCTOBER 24, 2023 | PUBLICATION

Oldenburg and Janowiak Case Results Article Published in Professional Journal

JUNE 10, 2021 | PUBLICATION

Wagener Analyzes Important Appellate Decision on Jury Instructions in Medical Malpractice Cases

JUNE 23, 2020 | PUBLICATION

Hay and Wagener Published in Medical Liability Journal

NOVEMBER 8, 2018 | PUBLICATION

Banasek and Brandabur Publish Article on Medical Malpractice

Events

AUGUST 31, 2023 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Gyparakis and Hay Teach Legal Continuing Ed Course for State Defense Association

MAY 4, 2022 | EVENT

Magee and Hamilton Moderate State Bar Association Virtual Event

FEBRUARY 24, 2022 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Banasek and Boeckman to Present to Chicago Dental Society

FEBRUARY 10, 2022 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Varadachari to Headline ADTA Webinar on Business Development Post COVID

SEPTEMBER 22, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Oldenburg to Discuss Risk Management at Regional Dental Meeting

SEPTEMBER 17, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Oldenburg to be Part of Educational Series for Dentists

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Banasek to Speak at Long-Term Care Seminar

MAY 19, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Banasek to Speak to Nationwide Group of Healthcare Risk Managers and Leaders

APRIL 22, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Banasek to Speak to Chicago Risk Management Group

FEBRUARY 11, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Oldenburg And Hay to Speak at Dental Workshop

FEBRUARY 4, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Banasek and Wagener Present Educational Series to National Senior Living Provider

NOVEMBER 3, 2020 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Wagener Helps Nursing Students Understand Legal Considerations of the Profession

JULY 9, 2020 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Banasek and Brandabur Present Sexual Harassment Prevention Training for Dentists

JANUARY 14, 2020 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Oldenburg and Hay to Speak to Dental Group

DECEMBER 26, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Crissie Present Webinar on Dress Rehearsals for Trials

OCTOBER 11, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Oldenburg to Speak to Dentists in Illinois

AUGUST 13, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay Speaks to Executives about Long-Term Care Facility Administration and the Law

AUGUST 7, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Banasek to Speak to Dental Practice and the Law

APRIL 17, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay Discusses Anatomy of a Malpractice Claim

MARCH 21, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Oldenburg Present Continuing Education Seminar to Dentists

FEBRUARY 20, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Wagener Presents Webinar on Professional Advocacy

FEBRUARY 1, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Oldenburg and Hay Discuss Legalities in the Dental Practice

NOVEMBER 3, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Wagener to Discuss Nurses' Legal Rights in Protecting and Defending Nursing Licenses

SEPTEMBER 21, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Oldenburg to Speak to Dentists in Illinois and California

MAY 10, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Oldenburg and Hay to Speak at Iowa Dental Seminar

FEBRUARY 22, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Chicago Attorneys Present Educational Series on Medical Records Documentation

OCTOBER 5, 2017 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Wagener to Speak at Nursing Colloquium about Legal Aspects of Substance Abuse Disorder

SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Oldenburg to Speak at California Dental Seminar

AUGUST 31, 2017 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hay and Oldenburg to Speak at Dental Seminar

Blog Posts

JULY 6, 2023 | BLOG

“Forum Shopping” Prevention Added to the Illinois Civil Practice Act

APRIL 13, 2023 | BLOG

Illinois Attorneys Could Be Liable for Punitive Damages in Malpractice Claims

DECEMBER 13, 2021 | BLOG

There’s No Place Like Home—Unless You Live Next Door: Venue and Forum in Litigation

SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 | BLOG

Are Arbitration Clauses in Attorney Engagement Letters Enforceable?

JUNE 23, 2020 | BLOG

Three Tips (and a Bonus!) for Navigating an Illinois ARDC Complaint or Investigation

NOVEMBER 19, 2019 | BLOG

Putting Your Legal Malpractice Carrier on Notice of a Potential Claim: Must a Missouri Lawyer “Foresee” Changes in the Law?

AUGUST 29, 2019 | BLOG

Does an Illinois Insurance Producer Owe a Legal Duty to an Additional Insured on a Policy It Procured? It Certainly Shouldn’t, and Here’s Why

JULY 24, 2019 | BLOG

Healthcare Practitioners: Anatomy of an IDFPR Complaint