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Chris Gardino is a member of the Tucker Ellis Trial Department, focusing his practice on complex product liability, mass tort, commercial, pharmaceutical, and data privacy litigation.

A problem solver by nature, Chris has extensive experience representing corporate clients in all aspects of litigation, including taking and defending depositions, drafting and arguing dispositive motions, developing corporate and expert witnesses, negotiating favorable settlements, and trial. Chris is well known for his work in developing fact and expert witnesses, as well as his rapid-fire cross examinations of plaintiff fact and expert witnesses. Chris is a member of national counsel and local trial counsel teams for corporate clients across a broad spectrum of industries, including vertical transportation, industrial steam systems, food production, cosmetics, and automotive products. Chris previously served as national coordinating counsel for a prominent Fortune 500 equipment manufacturer, overseeing product liability and premises cases in both local and high-risk national jurisdictions and managing local counsel across the country.

Chris has always been driven by a desire to help others. Before joining Tucker Ellis, he worked for a boutique litigation firm pursuing civil remedies on behalf of child sexual abuse victims. While in law school, he worked as a law clerk licensed under Illinois Code Section 711, which allowed him to gain valuable courtroom experience in both pro bono and municipal litigation matters.

In his free time, Chris enjoys playing music, running, and spending time with his family.

Education

- Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology (J.D.); Dean's List (2006-2008)
- University of Wisconsin (B.S. in Legal Studies and Environmental Studies, 2004)

State Admissions

- Illinois, 2008

Federal Admissions

- United States District Court, Southern District of Illinois
- United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Service Areas

- Mass Tort & Product Liability
- Life Sciences Litigation
- Privacy & Data Security
- Health & Life Sciences

Industries Represented

- Machinery Manufacturing
- Manufacturing
- Mining
- Pump & Valve Manufacturers
- Consumer Products

Publications & Events

PUBLICATIONS

- “Much Ado about Nothing? Change to Illinois Construction Statute of Repose Should Only Apply to Claims Arising from Construction that Occurred after 2004,” Defense Research Institute Construction Law Committee Newsletter (Spring 2015)
- *Causes of Action (Illinois): Tort Actions 2010 Edition*, Chapter 28, “Child Sexual Abuse,” published by Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education (IICLE)

Honors

- BTI Client Service All-Stars 2022
- Illinois Super Lawyers Rising Stars® (2012-2022)

In the Community

- Chicago Bar Association
- Justinian Society of Lawyers