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About Lyndon

With more than three decades of experience, Lyndon focuses his trial practice on cases involving product liability, primarily toxic tort and asbestos litigation.

Lyndon has significant trial experience, including winning first-chair jury verdicts and representing numerous clients in bench trials, arbitration hearings, and motion practice. He is highly skilled at taking and participating in depositions.

Lyndon's experience also includes automobile and trucking litigation, premises liability, and construction litigation. He has represented motor vehicle insureds, trucking companies, construction contractors, elevator and escalator companies, property owners and managers, hotel chains, employers, and product manufacturers.

Areas of Focus

Services: Complex Tort & General Casualty

Experience

- *Stojkovich v. Westinghouse Electric Corporation*: In this case, the plaintiff was a young man who worked as a computer consultant for Kemper Insurance Company and was regarded as a bright, innovative, and up-and-coming consultant. During a holiday party, the plaintiff and other co-employees became stuck in an elevator that had stopped for unknown reasons. When those in the elevator attempted to extricate themselves, the

plaintiff fell three stories to the bottom of the elevator shaft and sustained severe head injuries, including permanent brain damage. The plaintiff brought suit against the elevator company (Westinghouse) and the building owners. Defended Westinghouse and second-chaired the trial with another Hinshaw partner. The demand was \$3 million from both defendants before trial, and no offers were made. After approximately seven weeks of trial, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the amount of \$3.7 million and apportioned liability as follows: Building 60-percent, Westinghouse 25-percent, and the plaintiff 15-percent.

- Secured a no-liability verdict in a three-week double fatality trial involving a motorcycle collision. The plaintiffs sought \$6 million, alleging negligence against the defendant, who turned left in front of the motorcycle, and strict product liability against a motorcycle manufacturer and brake designers. Hinshaw represented the brake designers, and the jury ultimately rejected all claims, finding no liability. *Koehler v. Harley Davidson*
- Secured a no-liability verdict for our client, the defendant, who had asked a neighbor for help in removing a heavy tree branch from the roof of his two-story building. Following the plaintiff's fall from the roof, he sustained serious injuries, including left hip fractures and bilateral elbow fractures and dislocations, with medical bills exceeding \$115,000. Prior to trial, the plaintiff sought the policy limits of \$500,000, while our pre-trial offer was \$50,000, and he ultimately requested \$1.6 million from the jury. After four days of trial, the jury concluded that the defendant was not liable for the plaintiff's injuries, highlighting Hinshaw's effective defense strategy. *Ioan Dumitru v. Juan Mendoza*
- Secured a favorable verdict for Hinshaw client, a large national insurance company, when the jury awarded the plaintiffs only \$29,391 following their claim under the uninsured motorist provision after an uninsured driver destroyed their Chevy Suburban. The five-day trial was necessitated by disputes over settlement offers, focusing on breach of contract and the assessment of damages. The plaintiffs, who claimed soft tissue injuries, sought over \$300,000, citing more than \$50,000 in medical expenses and approximately \$200,000 in lost wages, while the insurance company's prior offers totaled just \$27,000. *Ragona & Gartner v. American Family Mutual Insurance Company*

Recognition

- *Leading Lawyers*, Personal Injury Defense: General, and Products Liability Defense
- *Illinois Super Lawyers*, 2005
- Martindale-Hubbell, AV® Peer Review Rating

Credentials

Education

University of Illinois Chicago School of Law (formerly The John Marshall Law School), JD, 1985
DePaul University, BA, 1982

Bar Admissions

Illinois

Court Admissions

US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Languages

Italian

Interests

Did you know...

Family is most important to Lyndon, and he likes to spend as much time as he can with them, especially his four grandchildren.

Thought Leadership

Hinshaw Alert

- Illinois Asbestos Plaintiff Barred From Suing His Former Employer in Tort, May 31, 2012

Hinshaw Newsletter

- Products Liability Bulletin - February 2011 Edition, Feb 15, 2011