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About Pete

With over three decades of experience, Pete represents construction, insurance, and transportation companies and their insurers. His clients also include governmental entities, manufacturers, service providers, financial institutions, trucking and transportation firms, and self-insured organizations.

He handles labor and employment litigation, labor contract disputes, and administrative matters on behalf of employers. His litigation practice also covers construction disputes, commercial motor vehicle cases, premises liability, and catastrophic bodily injury and property damage/fire loss claims.

Pete advises clients on contract negotiations and disputes, risk management and safety strategies, liability exposures, insurance programs, and Medicare rules related to claims and litigation.

He previously served on the firm's Executive Committee and currently holds an appointment as a Special Assistant State's Attorney in Will County.

Areas of Focus

Industries: Construction; Government; Insurance; Manufacturing; Transportation & Mobility

Services: Complex Tort & General Casualty; Employment Advice & Counseling;
Employment Litigation; Labor & Employment; Litigation & Trial

Experience

- Defended a workers' compensation insurer and its insured in a case of first impression against a medical provider's quasi-contractual claim based on a pre-certification letter for a surgical procedure. The appellate court reversed the trial court which erred finding unambiguous promise to pay an amount greater than final award of Illinois Workers Compensation Commission. The plaintiffs' writ was denied by the Illinois Supreme Court.

Recognition

- Chicago-Kent College of Law at Illinois Institute of Technology, Kent Legal Scholar

Credentials

Education

Chicago-Kent College of Law at Illinois Institute of Technology, JD, 1991

Boston College, BBA, 1988

Bar Admissions

Illinois*

**Licensed to practice only in Illinois*

Court Admissions

US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Thought Leadership

Presentations

A selection of Pete's presentations includes:

- "The Bermuda Triangle (ADA, FMLA, Workers' Compensation)," Hinshaw's Annual Labor & Employment Seminar, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, October 2012
- "Legal Aspects of Chronic Pain: The Disability Conundrum," Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, July 2010
- "Illinois Legal Update: Decisions and Trends," Great West Casualty, South Sioux City, Nebraska, April 2010
- "Tort Exposures and Trends," RIMS Real Estate Seminar, Chicago, Illinois, October 2003
- "Illinois Employment Update," Great West Casualty, South Sioux City, Nebraska, January 2003
- "Fit to Work," Worksteps Employment Seminar, Illinois, September 2002

Publications

- Co-Author, “Illinois Disability,” *IDC Quarterly*® Monograph, Volume 18, Number 4, Fourth Quarter 2008

Insights for Employers Alert

- Illinois Workers’ Compensation Commission Notice of Emergency Amendment Regarding COVID-19, Apr 15, 2020