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Summary of qualifications

Mark Rouleau, attorney at law

Rockford, Illinois

Has been an Illinois attorney for nearly thirty years. For the last seventeen years he has been a sole practitioner after leaving the law firm of Crosby & Lambert. He was admitted to practice before the state of Illinois Supreme Court on November 9, 1983; the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois December 21, 1983 and the Supreme Court of the United States on Aug. 11, 1995.

Education

DePaul University College of Law

Chicago, Illinois

Graduated in the Class of 1983

Southern Illinois University

Carbondale, Illinois

President's Scholar Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics, 1980

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, 1980

Professional experience

Has been engaged in the general practice of law in the Rockford community for nearly thirty years. The principle focus of his practice has been in the area of civil litigation. He has appeared as a speaker on in Sky Radio's **America's Premier Lawyers** Hosted by Marc Holland; appellate cases include: Illinois Trial Lawyers Amicus brief for rehearing, **Manago v. County of Cook**, 2013 IL App (1st) 121365 (Ill. App., 2013); **People v. Joseph Spiezer**, (2nd Dist. 2000), 316 Ill.App.3d 75, 735 N.E.2d 1017, 249 Ill.Dec. 192; **Hills v. Bridgeview Little League Ass'n**, (Ill.App. 1 Dist. 1999) 713 N.E.2d 616, 306 Ill.App.3d 13, (Amicus brief of counsel, for the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association); **People v. Quigley**, (Ill. 1998) 697 N.E.2d 735, 183 Ill.2d 1, (trial and appellate counsel); **People v. Lavariega**, (Ill. 1997) 676 N.E.2d 643, 175 Ill.2d 153, (trial and appellate counsel); **City of Rockford v. Xayasouk**, (Ill.App. 2 Dist. 1998) 705 N.E.2d 110, 301 Ill.App.3d 663, (trial and appellate counsel); **Krivitskie v. Cramlett**, (Ill.App. 2 Dist. 1998) 704 N.E.2d 957, 301 Ill.App.3d 705, (trial and appellate counsel); **Shelton v. Gourley**, Rule 23 opinion (\$350K negligence verdict barroom stabbing case upheld versus tavern Ill.App 2d 87 L 17 & 18); **People v. Crabbe**, (Ill.App. 2 Dist. 1990) 552 N.E.2d 19, 195 Ill.App.3d 163, (trial and appellate counsel); **Application of County Collector**, (Ill.App. 2 Dist. 1988) 530 N.E.2d 598, 175 Ill.App.3d 985, (trial and appellate counsel).

Publications

Unreliability of the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus Test, 4 Am.Jur. Proof Facts 3d 439;

Illinois Civil Procedure (Lexis/Nexus Publishing, 2012, Supplement ch. 19-25 with practice tips).

Toxic Tort: Medical and Legal Elements, Third Ed., Ernest P. Chiodo, (Chapter 3 "A Primer on Toxic Tort Law")

Compensation for household services, vol. 59, no. 12 ISBA Trial Briefs (June 2014)

National policy favoring class arbitration reaffirmed, Vol. 59, No. 3, ISBA Trial Briefs (September 2013)

National policy favoring class arbitration reaffirmed, ISBA In the Alternative, (October 2013)

Equitable apportionment applies to subrogation claims January 1, 2013, Vol. 58, No. 6, Trial Briefs (December 2012)

Supreme Court Allows Juror Questioning of Witnesses, Vol. 57, No. 9 ISBA Trial Briefs (April 2012)

Sufficiency of Tender Terminating Right to Judgment Interest, Vol. 57, No. 7 ISBA Trial Briefs (February 2012)

Seventh Circuit throws the baby out with the bathwater in class action certification —Class counsel's misconduct as basis for decertifying class: *Creative Montessori Learning Centers v. Ashford Gear LLC*, Vol. 57, No. 6 ISBA Trial Briefs (January 2012)

Letter to the Editor, Sacrificing class arbitration for the good of individual arbitration, Vol. 18, No. 1, In the Alternative (October 2011)

Arbitration primer for civil trial attorneys, Vol. 55, No. 8 ISBA Trial Briefs (April 2010);

Wills v. Foster and the "Reasonable Value" Approach To The Collateral Source Rule, Vol. 54, No. 2 ISBA Trial Briefs (August 2008);

Contacting an Opponent's Employee and Former Employees, Vol. 53, No. 5, ISBA Trial Briefs (Dec. 2007);

Impact of Plea of guilty on civil proceedings, DCBA Brief, November 2001.

Impact of Plea of guilty on civil proceedings, Vol 44, No. 3, ISBA Criminal Justice Newsletter,

Compensation for the value of lost time and not lost wages, Vol. 36, No. 3, ISBA Tort Trends Newsletter;

Is Tort Liability in Illinois Joint or Several? Vol. 34, No. 1, ISBA Tort Trends Newsletter;

U.S. Chamber of Commerce Launches Assault on Trial Lawyers, Business Profile Magazine Aug/Sept 98;
Declaring Forfeitures on Contracts for Deed, Vol. 35, No. 1 ISBA YLD Newsletter;
A Case for Fall Civil Discovery and Statutory Summary Suspension Hearings, Vol. 36, No. 1 ISBA YLD Newsletter;
Supreme Court Adds Teeth To Arbitration Rules, Vol. 37, No. 4 ISBA YLD Newsletter;
Subpoena Duces Tecum, by and 38, No. 1, ISBA YLD Newsletter;
A Simple Solution for Obtaining Records Prior to Trial, Vol. 38, No. 3 ISBA YLD Newsletter;
Discovering Petrillo Violations, Vol. 39, No. 1, ISBA YLD Newsletter;
Is Loss of Enjoyment of Life Recoverable Under the Civil Justice Reform Amendments of 1995?, Vol. 31, No. 2, ISBA Tort Trends Newsletter;
Discharge of Attorney Employed by Contingency Fee Contract, Vol. 32, No. 5, ISBA Tort Trends Newsletter;
Hospital Liens, Vol. XLIV, No. 2, WCBA The Lawyer;
Are Your Real Estate Clients Insuring The Insurer?, Vol. XLIV, No. 7 WCBA The Lawyer.

Additional professional activities

Member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum
ITLA William J. Harte Amicus Volunteer Award, June 2014
ITLA William J. Harte Amicus Volunteer Award, June 2010
Member of the Editorial Advisory Board for James Publishing, Cross Publications and Ford Publications 1989.
ITLA Board of Managers Member (1997-1998)
ITLA Amicus Committee & Supreme Court Rules Committee
ISBA Civil Practice and Procedure Section Council Member (2005-)
ISBA Continuing Legal Education Section Council Member (2005-)
ISBA assembly 1998-2000
ISBA Tort Section Council Chair (2000-2001)
ISBA Tort Section Council Vice-chair (1999-2000)
ISBA Tort Section Council Secretary (1998-1999)
ISBA Tort Section Council Member (1996-2002)
ISBA Task Force on Allocation of Judges (1998-1999)
ISBA Task Force on Certification (1997)
ISBA Allerton House Conference (2013) "Adaptations of New Technologies to Civil Case Processes"
ISBA Allerton House Conference (2011) "Hot Button Evidence Issues"
ISBA Allerton House Conference (2008) "Civility Initiatives for Civil Litigation,"
ISBA Allerton Conference (2006) "Reforming The Jury System in Illinois"
Illinois Legal Education Conclave (Oct. 19-20, 1995)
ISBA Organized Bar Leadership Conference (June 1994)
Chair of the YLD Section of the ISBA (1994-1995)
Editor of the ISBA YLD Newsletter (1991-1994)
ISBA delegate to the 1994 & 1995 ABA - YLD conventions

Presentations

Guest Lecturer: **A Primer In Toxic Tort Case Evaluation**, John Marshall Law School, Chicago, October 3, 2013; March 22, 2012; March 24, 2011.
Guest Lecturer: **A Primer In Toxic Tort Case Evaluation**, Loyola University Chicago, College of Law, October 3, 2013; March 22, 2012; March 24, 2011.
Alternative Dispute Resolution: Arbitration & Mediation Issues, "Arbitration Law" ISBA Law Ed Series, February 11, 2011
Basic Skills: The New Attorney's Introduction to the Effective Practice of Law, "Pleading From A Plaintiff's View" ISBA Law Ed Series December 4-6, 2007 (Chicago).
Tort Law Update 2005, "Liens" ISBA Tort and Insurance Law sections, Law Ed Series, June 17, 2005 (ISBA Annual meeting, Lake Geneva Wisc.).
The Anatomy of an Automobile Case, "Liens & Reimbursement" ISBA Tort and Insurance Law sections, Law Ed Series, May 10, 2004 (Chicago).
Potpourri of Civil Practice, Tort and Insurance Law, "Adjudicating Medicaid Liens" ISBA Civil Practice & Procedure, Tort and Insurance Law sections, Law Ed Series, June 20, 2003 (ISBA Annual meeting, Lake Geneva Wisc.).
Motor Vehicle Cases A to Z. "Adjudicating Medicaid and Medicare Liens" ISBA Tort Law Section, Law Emergency department Series, May 22, 2003 (Chicago, Ill.)
Illinois Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Benefits, a Study and Analysis, "Who is covered?" ISBA Tort Law Section, Law Ed Series, May 9, 2002 (Bloomington, Ill.).
Illinois Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Benefits, a Study and Analysis, "Who is covered?" ISBA Tort Law Section, Law Ed Series, May 30, 2002 (Chicago, Ill.).

An Update for Tort Practitioners, "Responding to 213 (f) & (g) Interrogatories," ISBA Tort Law Section, Insurance Law Section, and Special Committee of Appellate Practice, Law Ed Series, June 22, 2001 (ISBA Annual meeting, Lake Geneva Wisc.

Insurance Coverage: An Update, "The Tort of Bad Faith: A Sleeping Giant" ISBA Insurance Law Section, Law Ed Series, April 19, 2001

Supreme Court Rule 213 and its Impact in Tort Litigation, "What is opinion Testimony?" ISBA Tort Law Section, Law Ed Series, October 9, 2000

Issues and Techniques for the Settlement of Personal Injury Cases, Moderator, ISBA Insurance Law and Tort Sections, Law Ed Series, ISBA Annual Meeting June 23, 2000

An Update for Tort and Insurance Litigators, "Responding to Rule 213 (f) & (g) Interrogatories," ISBA Insurance Law and Tort Sections, Law Ed Series, May 18, 2000

Litigating Tort Cases Without Going Bankrupt, Moderator, ISBA Tort Section, Law Ed Series, October 11, 1999

Hot Tips for Trials, Getting Witnesses to the Courthouse, Winnebago County Bar Association Seminar, Oct. 1, 1998

What's Up; A Tort, Insurance and Civil Practice Update, ISBA Civil Practice, Insurance Law and Tort Law Sections, ISBA midyear meeting December 13, 1996

Trial Techniques-Getting a Case Ready; Getting a Verdict (Pretrial Discovery) ISBA Tort Section Law Ed Series, Nov. 20 1995

Tort Reform: Day-To-Day Issues (Failure To Warn)-ISBA Tort Reform Law Ed Program, Nov. 1995

Building A Well-Balanced Life In The Law, ISBA YLD Law Ed Series, ISBA Annual Meeting June, 1995

How To Open A Small Law Office - ISBA Bridge the Gap Program, December, 1994

Professional memberships

Illinois State Bar Association, and Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, past member of the Winnebago County Bar Association, American Association for Justice, and American Bar Association.

Community activities

Habitat for Humanity, Boy Scouting (Eagle Scout – past assistant Scout Master), Blackhawk Presbytery Commissioner to the PC(USA) General Assembly, June 2004; Blackhawk Presbytery PC(USA) Committee on Ministry (2005 – 2010); Westminster Presbyterian Church (Active Elder 2001-2003), Pastoral Nominating Committee (2004), Christian Education Commission (2001-2003), and Witness Commission (1999-2000), Habitat for Humanity local congregation liaison (1998-99)