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## SERVICE AREAS

[Class Action](#)

[Appellate Law](#)

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Samuel D. Branum concentrates his practice on business litigation, municipal liability, and professional liability. His client list ranges from corporations and government entities to individuals. He has experience litigating cases involving trade secrets, copyright claims, class actions, Section 1983 claims, and legal malpractice. Mr. Branum has prosecuted and defended appeals and has argued cases before the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Prior to joining Johnson & Bell, Mr. Branum served as a law clerk to the Honorable Harold A. Baker of the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois. Mr. Branum received his B.A. from the University of Florida, and his J.D. from the University of Illinois College of Law. While in law school, he was the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Law, Technology & Policy. He also received award of Best Petitioner Brief in the Evan A. Evans Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition. Mr. Branum has been recognized as a Rising Star on Super Lawyers.

## **ADMISSIONS & EDUCATION**

### **ADMISSIONS**

Illinois Supreme Court

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

U.S. District Court, Central District of Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

### **EDUCATION**

University of Illinois College of Law, J.D., magna cum laude, 2017

University of Florida, B.A., 2013

## **HONORS**

Rising Star, Illinois Super Lawyers - 2024

## **CLIENT RESULTS**

Burkoth, Branum Obtain Not Guilty Verdict for Sheriff of Cook County in Federal Court

Branum Secures Summary Judgment in Dental Care Dispute Involving County Jail

Seventh Circuit Affirms Dismissal of Potential Class Action Against Municipality, Sheriff and County Jail

## **PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS**

### **PUBLICATIONS**

SEC to Increase Oversight of High Frequency Trading Firms Under a Proposed Amendment to Rule 15b9-1, U. ILL. J.L. TECH. & POL'Y: TIMELY TECH (Jan. 19, 2017)