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Glenn F. Fencl is chair of Johnson & Bell's Insurance group, with a concentration in product liability and insurance coverage. Mr. Fencl has handled numerous declaratory judgment coverage trials in several jurisdictions, is lead trial lawyer for several national manufacturers and has more than 25 jury verdicts. He has given several presentations and has authored numerous articles, including the "Comprehensive General Liability" chapter for the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education treatise "Liability Insurance Coverage Practice."

Holder of an AV rating from [Martindale-Hubbell](#), Mr. Fencl is involved in many law organizations, including: the International Association of Defense Counsel, the Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel, the Chicago and Illinois Bar Associations, Trial Lawyers Club of Chicago, American Arbitration Association, Defense Research Institute, and Society of Trial Lawyers. Mr. Fencl is the current chair of the ALFA International Insurance Law Practice Group, and was the Vice Chair of Marketing in 2013. He additionally held the post of program chair for the ALFA International Employment Practices Liability Insurance seminar in 2010.

ADMISSIONS & EDUCATION

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Illinois Supreme Court

Federal Trial Bar

EDUCATION

IIT Chicago–Kent College of Law, J.D. (with honors), 1980

University of Illinois, B.S., 1974

AFFILIATIONS

ALFA Insurance Law Practice Group, steering committee; Chair for the ALFA Insurance Group leadership committee, 2015; Vice Chair of Marketing for the ALFA Insurance Group, 2013; ALFA International Employment Practices Liability Insurance seminar program chair, 2010

American Arbitration Association

Trial Lawyers Club of Chicago

Chicago and Illinois Bar Associations

Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel

International Association of Defense Counsel

Defense Research Institute, DRI Marketing Liaison and State Representative for the State of Illinois for its 2012 annual meeting

HONORS

AV Rating from Martindale-Hubbell

Illinois Super Lawyers 2004-2024

Leading Lawyers 2004-2022

CLIENT RESULTS

[Federal Court Rules Trust Administrators Will Get No Coverage](#)

[Sub's Certificate of Insurance Insufficient to Garner Duty to Defend/Indemnify General Contractor](#)

[Johnson & Bell Obtains 7th Circuit Appellate Win in Coverage Dispute](#)

[Appellate Court Affirms Summary Judgment in Favor of Insurer in Underinsured Motorist Coverage Dispute](#)

[Glenn F. Fencel Obtains Summary Judgment in CGL Policy Dispute](#)

[Macksey, Boehm Secure Appellate Win in \\$2M Coverage Case](#)

[Fencel Saves Client \\$1.3M in Breach of Contract Insurance Dispute](#)

[Fencel Receives Summary Judgment in Construction Injury Coverage Dispute Seeking Recovery of \\$1.6M](#)

[Fencel Obtains Summary Judgment in Insurance Coverage Case Seeking \\$2 Million](#)

[Wojcik v. Yamazaki Mazak Corp. \(1st Dist.\) Statute of limitations on products case.](#)

[Sportmart v. Daisy Manufacturing \(1st Dist.\) Duty to defend under additional insured endorsement. December 1994.](#)

[Thomas v. Hollymatic \(1st Dist.\) Statute of limitations on product liability case. April 1989.](#)

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

Featured webinar Panelist discussing insurance coverage issues in the aftermath of riots and vandalism, [ALFA International Insurance Group](#), June 2020

Speaker, "Avoiding a Brush with Mayhem," National Catholic Risk Retention Group Winter Meeting, January, 2019.

Featured Panelist, "An Introduction to Defending TCPA Claims and Litigating TCPA Insurance Coverage Issues," [ALFA International's Insurance Practice Group Webinar](#), October 2015

Speaker, "Scaffolds, Cranes & Aerial Devices: Case Law Update," DRI Product Liability Conference, February 2015

Speaker, "How Much Coverage Is There? Multiple Occurrences and Multiple Limits," Johnson & Bell Insurance Seminar, September 12, 2013

Speaker, "Litigation Management: The Key to Achieving Your Desired Results," Risk Management and Legal Defense Workshop sponsored by The National Catholic Risk Retention Group, Inc., Braintree, Mass. July 23, 2013

"Recovering Funds After Settlement: A Practical Guide to Subrogation," Scaffolding, Cranes and Aerial Devices Litigation Workshop, DRI Product Liability Conference, New Orleans

Moderated "Litigation Management," workshop at the National Catholic Risk Retention Group Annual Writer Meeting, in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, 2012

Spoke on the topic of "Case Law Updates" for the Recreational Product SLG at the DRI Product Liability Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, 2012

Led witness preparation workshop "Testimony Under Fire: Deposition and Trial - A Witness Perspective" for The National Catholic Risk Retention Group's Legal Defense Practice Workshop, Chicago, 2011

PUBLICATIONS

Author, "[Privilege and the Work Product Doctrine](#)", ALFA International Insurance Group, April 2022

Author, [Can the Underlying Plaintiff Collect More than the Amount of the Underlying Judgment in Third Party Failure to Settle Cases?](#), June 8, 2017

Co-Author of Illinois section of 50-state insurance coverage law compendium compiled by the [ALFA International Insurance Practice Group](#).

Author, "[Self-Insured Retentions and High Deductibles: Their Impact on Insurers and Policyholders](#)," Johnson & Bell Insurance Newsletter, Fall 2013.