



## Scott R. Shinkan

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### Biography

Scott is a skilled trial and appellate trial monitoring lawyer focused on defending insureds and counseling insurers on all aspects of casualty litigation for a wide range of industries. He defends physicians and practice groups in medical malpractice lawsuits. Scott represents physicians practicing in many branches of medicine, including obstetrics and gynecology, orthopaedics, emergency medicine, internal medicine, and numerous other specialties and interdisciplinary fields. He represents the interests of state patient compensation funds. He successfully defends physicians at trial and through other forms of alternative dispute resolution with exposures well into the millions.

Scott provides nationwide appellate trial monitoring of complex, high profile trials and represents the interests of excess insurers, including cases involving significant insurance towers. Scott assists with trial preparation and monitors high exposure trials throughout the country, saving clients millions of dollars in potential exposure and helping to preserve issues appropriately for appellate review.

Scott's litigation practice also includes motor carriers, products liability, commercial general liability, contractors, worker's compensation, toxic torts (diacetyl) and lawyer malpractice (defending lawsuits against plaintiffs' and defense firms). Scott has a niche practice defending muzzleloader and bullet manufacturers, and he has experience in first-party property coverage litigation. He has successfully defended attorneys and law firms, churches, restaurants, cable providers, muzzleloader and bullet manufacturers, construction companies and subcontractors, and numerous other insured clients. Scott counsels insurers on liability and coverage issues arising out of claims involving civil malicious prosecution and reversed convictions, catastrophic injuries, and motor carrier accidents. Scott keeps clients informed with CE/CLE presentations on various topics.

Scott received his *Artium Baccalaurei* (B.A.) degree in Economics from Wabash College, where he was a leader in the classroom, in his fraternity, and on the baseball diamond. He completed the Walt Disney World College Program. Scott was a judicial extern for Ret. Judge Sheldon Gardner of the Cook County Circuit Court Law Division, Tax and Miscellaneous Remedies Section.

### **Education**

J.D. Valparaiso University School of  
Law, 2005

B.A. Wabash College, 2002

### **Bar Admissions**

Illinois

Wisconsin

### **Court Admissions**

U.S. District Court, Northern District of  
Illinois

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of  
Wisconsin

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

### **Memberships**

Defense Research Institute

Illinois State Bar Association

State Bar of Wisconsin