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### Biography

Hillard Sterling is a commercial litigator and trial lawyer with thirty years of experience bringing cases to successful resolutions through settlement, judgment, and verdict in tribunals across the country. Hillard brings a strategic, creative, and focused approach to his clients' cases and disputes, and a wealth of litigation and trial experience at firms ranging from big law (Kirkland & Ellis, Arnold & Porter) to boutique.

Hillard's matters span the spectrum of commercial and insurance-defense matters, including professional-liability cases (defending agents, brokers and financial advisors), technology system-implementation disputes (representing vendors and customers), cyber matters (breach coaching and counseling clients on risk reduction), privacy cases (defending clients against allegations of wrongful disclosures and access), defamation claims (defending and bringing claims on behalf of private and public figures), intellectual property (defending against infringement allegations), and a panoply of other business disputes representing companies, shareholders and LLC members.

Hillard has served as an expert commentator in print and broadcast media on breaking stories in the technology-law realm. He also speaks at conferences across the country regarding a wide range of technology and cyber issues as well as other insurance-defense topics.

### Education

J.D. Georgetown University Law Center, magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, 1989

B.A. Northern Illinois University, summa cum laude, 1986

### Bar Admissions

Illinois  
District of Columbia

## **Court Admissions**

U.S. District Court, Northern District of  
Illinois, Trial Bar

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of  
Michigan