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Biography

"My job is to protect your company's treasury and make you look good doing it."

Tom Ryerson is best known locally for defending physicians in medical malpractice trials. Tom is best known nationally for representing major property and casualty insurers and their insureds in catastrophic injury cases, large case litigation, including products liability, municipal liability, insurance coverage/bad faith litigation, transportation and toxic tort. Tom provides expert witness services in select legal malpractice cases.

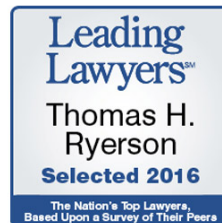
Examples of cases and outcomes:

- Successfully represents excess insurer in large municipal reversed conviction cases.
- Represented food manufacturing and distribution companies in industry-wide products liability cases.
- Represented major Chicago law firms in legal malpractice claims.
- First chair, defense verdicts, in over 30 jury trials.
- Verdict for defendant obstetrician in neurologically impaired child case, jury requested to return verdict of \$22 Million plus.
- Verdict for defendant obstetrician in neurologically impaired baby case, jury requested to return verdict of \$30 Million plus.
- Verdict for defendant spine surgeon in post-surgery infection case.
- Verdict for defendant obstetrician in stillbirth case.
- Verdict for defendant orthopedic surgeon in compartment syndrome case.
- Verdict for defendant pain management doctor in wrongful death spine infection case.
- Verdict for defendant radiologist in osteosarcoma leg amputation case.
- Verdict for defendant radiologist in lung cancer death case.
- Verdict for defendant obstetrician in battery case concerning unconsented episiotomy.
- Verdict for defendant family practice physician in Heparin management brain hemorrhage case.
- Verdict for defendant vascular surgeon in Heparin double amputee case.

- Verdict for cardiovascular surgeon in stroke following carotid endarterectomy.
- Verdict for defendant family practice doctor in dissecting aortic aneurism case.
- Verdict for defendant pharmacy in misfilled prescription case.

At Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Tom earned leadership and service awards for being a member of its National Moot Court Team and an Associate Editor of its Law Journal. Tom taught Appellate Advocacy at Loyola for several years. Tom authored articles for the Illinois State Bar Association. He is a member of several professional societies including The Society of Trial Lawyers, The Illinois Association of Defense Counsel, The Defense Research Institute, and The Leading Lawyers Network. He has been rated AV Preeminent by Martindale Hubbell for 20 years.

Outside the courtroom and the office, Tom is a member of nonprofit boards and supports bar foundations.



Education

J.D. Loyola University Chicago, School of Law
B.A. Northwestern University

Bar Admissions

Illinois

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan
United States Supreme Court

Memberships

Society of Trial Lawyers
Illinois State Bar Association
Fellow, Illinois Bar Foundation
American Bar Association
DuPage County Bar Association
DRI (Defense Research Institute)
Leading Lawyers Network
Board Member, DuPage County Bar Foundation
Illinois Defense Counsel

Awards

Martindale Hubbell AV® rating
Leading Lawyer in Illinois, Medical
Malpractice Defense and Personal
Injury Defense

Matters of Note

Stults v. International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc. et al.,
No. 14-3658 (8th Cir. March 4, 2016).

Estate of John Fabiszak v. Donald Roland MD,
Circuit Court of Cook County IL 12 L 10657

Sperl v. CH Robinson Worldwide,
408 ILL. App. 3rd 1051, (3rd Dist. 2011)

Turner v. Williams,
326 Ill.App.3d 541, 762 N.E.2d 70, 260 Ill.Dec. 804 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Dec 17, 2001) (NO.
2-00-1438)

Curtis v. Jaskey,
326 Ill.App.3d 90, 759 N.E.2d 962, 259 Ill.Dec. 901 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Nov 20, 2001) (NO.
2-00-1204)

Jacob v. Greve,
251 Ill.App.3d 529, 622 N.E.2d 81, 190 Ill.Dec. 671 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Oct 13, 1993) (NO.
2-92-0845)

Schoenbeck v. Du Page Water Com'n,
240 Ill.App.3d 1045, 607 N.E.2d 693, 180 Ill.Dec. 624 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Jan 29, 1993) (NO.
2-91-1091)

Neuman v. Burstein,
230 Ill.App.3d 33, 595 N.E.2d 659, 172 Ill.Dec. 298 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Jun 24, 1992) (NO.
2-91-0903)

*Board of Library Directors of Village of Lombard v. Skidmore, Owings
and Merrill*,
215 Ill.App.3d 69, 574 N.E.2d 869, 158 Ill.Dec. 756 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Jun 20, 1991) (NO.
2-90-0810)

Haley v. Posdal,

201 Ill.App.3d 963, 559 N.E.2d 1083, 147 Ill.Dec. 743 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Aug 28, 1990)
(NOS. 2-89-0906, 2-89-0968)

Servicemaster Co. v. Mary Thompson Hosp.,

177 Ill.App.3d 885, 532 N.E.2d 1009, 127 Ill.Dec. 180 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Dec 29, 1988) (NO.
2-88-0486)

Setinc v. Masny,

185 Ill.App.3d 15, 540 N.E.2d 937, 133 Ill.Dec. 71 (Ill.App. 3 Dist., Jun 16, 1989) (NO.
3-88-0421)

Espedido v. St. Joseph Hosp.,

172 Ill.App.3d 460, 526 N.E.2d 664, 122 Ill.Dec. 405 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Jul 13, 1988) (NOS.
2-87-0790, 2-87-0804, 2-87-0810, 2-87-0825, 2-87-0848)

Johnson v. Figgie Intern., Inc., Rawlings Sporting Goods Div.,

151 Ill.App.3d 496, 502 N.E.2d 797, 104 Ill.Dec. 300 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Dec 31, 1986) (NO.
2-85-0889)

Johnson v. Figgie Intern., Inc.,

132 Ill.App.3d 922, 477 N.E.2d 795, 87 Ill.Dec. 669 (Ill.App. 2 Dist., Apr. 26, 1985) (NO.
84-0287)

Grant v. Zale Const. Co.,

109 Ill.App.3d 545, 440 N.E.2d 1043, 65 Ill.Dec. 188 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Sep 27, 1982) (NOS.
81-1933, 81-2658)

Tatosian v. Graudins,

86 Ill.App.3d 661, 408 N.E.2d 231, 41 Ill.Dec. 809 (Ill. App. 1 Dist., Jul 07, 1980) (NO.
79-79)

Urchel v. Holy Cross Hospital,

82 Ill.App.3d 1050, 403 N.E.2d 545, 38 Ill.Dec. 314 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Mar 27, 1980) (NO.
78-1520)

Barron v. Kane and Roach, Inc.,

79 Ill.App.3d 44, 398 N.E.2d 244, 34 Ill.Dec. 569 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Dec 03, 1979) (NO.
78-93)

Pippin v. Chicago Housing Authority,

78 Ill.2d 204, 399 N.E.2d 596, 35 Ill.Dec. 530 (Ill., Dec 03, 1979) (NO. 50773)

Borushek v. Kincaid,

78 Ill.App.3d 295, 397 N.E.2d 172, 33 Ill.Dec. 839 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Nov 13, 1979) (NO. 77-1699)

Killeen V. R. W. Dunteman Co,

78 Ill.App.3d 473, 397 N.E.2d 436, 33 Ill.Dec. 930 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Sep 26, 1979) (NO. 78-1315)

Wallace v. Smith,

75 Ill.App.3d 739, 394 N.E.2d 665, 31 Ill.Dec. 463 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Aug 24, 1979) (NOS. 77-1134, 78-886)

Galante v. Steel City Nat. Bank of Chicago,

66 Ill.App.3d 476, 384 N.E.2d 57, 23 Ill.Dec. 421 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Nov 03, 1978) (NO. 77-833)

Amman Food & Liquor, Inc. v. Heritage Ins. Co.,

65 Ill.App.3d 140, 382 N.E.2d 562, 22 Ill.Dec. 242 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Oct 23, 1978) (NO. 77-44)

Wilbon v. D.F. Bast Co., Inc.,

73 Ill.2d 58, 382 N.E.2d 784, 22 Ill.Dec. 394 (Ill., Oct. 06, 1978) (NO. 49589)

Century Display Mfg. Corp. v. D. R. Wager Const. Co. Inc.,

71 Ill.2d 428, 376 N.E.2d 993, 17 Ill.Dec. 664, 18 A.L.R.4th 1160 (Ill., May 16, 1978) (NO. 49469)

Chandler v. Jet Air Freight, Inc.,

54 Ill.App.3d 1005, 370 N.E.2d 95, 12 Ill.Dec. 472 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Nov 15, 1977) (NO. 76-1304)

Englehardt v. Triple X Chemical Laboratories, Inc.,

53 Ill.App.3d 926, 369 N.E.2d 67, 11 Ill.Dec. 613 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Aug 09, 1977) (NO. 76-701)

Lowrie v. City of Evanston,

50 Ill.App.3d 376, 365 N.E.2d 923, 8 Ill.Dec. 537 (Ill.App. 1 Dist., Jun 24, 1977) (NO. 76-301)