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SINCE 1984, CLIFFORD LAW OFFICES has been dedicated to serving the needs of clients in the Chicago area and throughout the nation. Today, we are one of the premier law firms in Chicagoland and are known nationally for our success in complicated legal matters.

The National Law Journal named Clifford Law Offices one of the 50 Elite Law Firms in the country, and we are the only firm in Chicago to be given this distinction. The National Law Journal has also named the firm as one of the top 10 Litigation Boutiques in the country. And in 2020, Clifford Law Offices was named “Aviation Law Firm of the Year”

by the same organization and ALM. This recognition was awarded due to our ongoing success in representing our clients as well as our solid track record of client wins.

In addition to our accolades from the National Law Journal, we have repeatedly been listed in *U.S. News - Best Lawyers*® “Best Law Firms” publications that announce the best law firms in the country.

Clifford Law Offices prides itself on tackling serious cases and seeing them through to the end. Our commitment to these difficult cases has led to many notable verdicts and settlements—many of them record-setting—in a variety of practice areas.

AWARDS & RANKINGS



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“BEST LAW FIRMS” RANKINGS 2023

NATIONAL RANKINGS

NATIONAL TIER 1

Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Plaintiffs

METROPOLITAN RANKINGS

CHICAGO TIER 1

Aviation Law

Commercial Litigation

Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Plaintiffs

Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs

Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs

CHICAGO TIER 3

Bet-the-Company Litigation



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ROBERT A. CLIFFORD (1993)

Aviation Law
Bet-the-Company Litigation
Commercial Litigation
Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Plaintiffs
Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs
Qui Tam Law
Railroad Law
Transportation Law



TRACY BRAMMEIER (2021)

Aviation Law
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



KEVIN P. DURKIN (2011)

Aviation Law
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



JOHN KALANTZIS (2022)

Aviation Law
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs



JAMES C. PULLOS (2020)

Commercial Litigation
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



SUSAN A. CAPRA (2021)

Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



BRADLEY M. COSGROVE (2019)

Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs
Professional Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs



CHARLES R. HASKINS (2021)

Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



KEITH A. HEBEISEN (2011)

Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



SARAH F. KING (2021)

Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



RICHARD F. BURKE, JR. (2015)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs



JACK J. CASCIATO (2023)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



YVETTE LOIZON (2023)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs



SHANNON M. MCNULTY (2015)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



KRISTOFER S. RIDDLE (2023)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



HENRY R. SIMMONS (2019)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs



CRAIG J. SQUILLACE (2022)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs



ROBERT P. WALSH (2018)

Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs

A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

U.S. News – Best Lawyers® “Best Law Firms”

CLIFFORD LAW OFFICES is among an elite group of law firms to have been recognized for their top litigation work every year since the inception of the “Best Law Firms” rankings in 2010. This year, the firm received a National Tier 1 recognition for their work in Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Plaintiffs cases. This is a highly competitive field of law with over 400 firms competing in this area across the country and only the very top 10% received this award. Additionally, Clifford Law Offices had the highest score of any firm in Chicago for this area of law.

“Best Law Firms” Methodology

The 2023 edition of “Best Law Firms” recognizes the most elite firms across the nation, identified for their professional excellence with consistently positive feedback from clients and peers. These firm accolades are highly selective. Only 4% of firms in the United States are even considered for a “Best Law Firms” ranking. To become eligible for a “Best Law Firms” award, at least one lawyer at the firm must be recognized in the previous edition of *The Best Lawyers in America®* for their individual excellence in a specific field of law and location in order for the firm to be eligible for organizational recognition in the same specialties and geographic regions. Lawyer awards are an exclusive designation presented to only the top 5% of lawyers in the country and are awarded through our Purely Peer Review™ process, which began our work in 1981 with the founding of Best Lawyers. We believe that the best lawyers know who the best lawyers

are, and our transparent methodology remains unchanged over 40 years later.

Once a firm meets the threshold for “Best Law Firms” consideration, our research team collects data on the firm through four different avenues: 1) a “Law Firm Survey” submitted by

the firm sharing firmographic and management data, 2) “Client Surveys” on their individual interactions with the firm over the past year, 3) “Lawyer Votes” providing feedback on their peers and competitor firms and 4) “Law Firm Leader Interviews.” During our research process this year, we contacted over 90K clients, analyzed 124K client responses, reviewed 12.2M evaluations of 115K lawyers and 22K firms—and conducted hundreds of interviews with law firm leaders and practice area heads to produce these awards.

“Best Law Firms” Rankings for Clifford Law Offices

Clifford Law Offices’ “Best Law Firms” recognitions come from the impassioned feedback collected during client interviews, bolstered by supporting testimonials from lawyers at competing firms.

Among the feedback we received from those in need of legal services, one of their Personal Injury – Plaintiffs’ clients shared: *“Clifford Law Offices are the gold standard, an exemplary law firm.”* Another offered: *“All in all, we were in the best hands possible, and we are forever grateful for Clifford Law Offices and would recommend them a million times over!”* In addition to outstanding client and lawyer responses, practice leaders commented that the firm produces “excellent” results in their specific litigation areas.

The summation of this feedback resulted in the “Best Law Firms” rankings awarded to Clifford Law Offices for the excellence in legal practice.



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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth Petit".

Elizabeth Petit
Director of Research & Development and Managing Editor