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John C. Hanson's litigation practice centers largely around the defense of personal injury, commercial and residential property taxation, insurance law, election law, and governmental matters.

He brings the detail-oriented approach of a prosecutor to the solving of complex legal issues for his clients. Prior to joining HeplerBroom, Mr. Hanson served as a Madison County Assistant State's Attorney, with experience in both civil and criminal matters. During his tenure, he brought a number of criminal prosecution jury trials to verdict. He also provided in-house counsel to the County on matters of governmental law, employment, and litigation.

As an active member of both the Madison County and Alton/Wood River (Illinois) Bar Associations, Mr. Hanson is well known in the Madison County legal community.

Results

NOVEMBER 19, 2024

Champlin and Hanson Obtain Summary Judgment for Municipality in Free Speech Claim

PRACTICES

First-Party Coverage
Governmental & Civil Rights
Insurance Fraud Investigation
Insurance Services
Motor Vehicle Accidents
Products Liability
Real Estate
Third-Party Coverage

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri

EDUCATION

- Southern Illinois University School of Law, J.D., 2016
- Eastern Illinois University, M.A. in Political Science, 2012

Honors

Professional Associations

- Alton-Wood River (IL) Bar Association
 - President (2022-2023)
 - Vice-President (2020-2022)
 - Secretary (2019-2020)
- Clinton County (IL) Bar Association
- Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel
 - Insurance Law Committee
 - Supreme Court Watch columnist, *IDC Quarterly* (2022-present)
- Illinois Bar Association
- Madison County (IL) Bar Association
 - Executive Board (2024-2025)
 - President (2023-2024)
 - 1st Vice President (2022-2023)
 - 2nd Vice President (2021-2022)
 - Treasurer (2020-2021)
 - Recording Secretary (2019-2020)

Other Professional/Civic Involvement

- Edwardsville Township Republican Central Committee Chairman (2023-2024)
- Madison County Precinct Committeeman (2008-2024)
- The Federalist Society
- Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Adjunct Lecturer in Political Science (2012-2013)

Insights

Publications

- "Illinois Supreme Court to Decide Whether Illinois Human Rights Act Extends to Private Organizations that Use Public Facilities?" *IDC Quarterly*, Vol. 34, No. 1 (2024).

- Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, B.S. in Political Science, 2010

LAW SCHOOL HONORS/ INVOLVEMENT

- Hiram H. Lesar academic scholarship recipient
- Research Assistant to Professor George Mocsary

- “Not So Fast: Physician Respondents in Discovery May Have a Good Argument to Beat a Motion to Convert to a Defendant So Long as the Supreme Court Agrees,” *IDC Quarterly*, Vol. 33, No. 1 (2023). (Co-author)

NOVEMBER 11, 2025 | PUBLICATION

Hanson Publishes Column for Illinois Defense Counsel's Professional Journal

Blog Posts

MARCH 13, 2025 | BLOG

Tips for Navigating Candidate Nominating Papers and Electoral Board Challenges in Illinois

OCTOBER 21, 2024 | BLOG

The Enigma of the Illinois Property Tax: Part 1 - Illuminating the Mysterious Jargon

JUNE 30, 2023 | BLOG

U.S. Supreme Court Rules Corporations Can Be Properly Sued in State Courts Wherever Registration Statutes Provide Jurisdiction