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Eric D. Rosser is an experienced litigator who defends clients in toxic tort liability claims in some of the most contentious venues in the United States. His clients range from some of the largest corporations in the country to small municipalities and family-owned businesses.

Clients appreciate his strong work ethic and pragmatic approach to helping them navigate the complexities of multi-party toxic tort litigation. He uses his experience and analytical acumen to help clients implement broad-based litigation strategies. He's secured successful outcomes using a combination of deposition tactics, the discovery process, motion practice, and settlement.

By identifying legal defenses early in a case, he's obtained dismissals for clients in numerous jurisdictions. He's successfully negotiated broad-based settlement packages across multiple jurisdictions, reducing clients' docket size, global settlement value, and costs. He also understands the financial impact litigation can have on clients, and when practical, utilizes alternative fee agreements to obtain results in the most cost-effective manner possible.

Rosser started in the firm's Edwardsville office in 2003. In 2017, he moved to the Chicago office to manage the firm's Cook County asbestos docket.

PRACTICES

- Asbestos
- Class & Mass Tort Actions
- Products Liability
- Toxic Tort

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Illinois
- Missouri
- Wisconsin
- U.S. District Courts for the
Central and Southern
Districts of Illinois

EDUCATION

- Northern Illinois University College of Law, J.D., 2003
- University of Illinois, B.S. in Business Administration/Management Information Systems, 1998

LAW SCHOOL HONORS/ INVOLVEMENT

When not defending clients, he enjoys spending time with his teenage son, coaching youth sports, and—when time permits—going to the mountains. He hopes to see the Chicago Bears win a Super Bowl in the near future.

- Phi Alpha Delta

Honors

Professional Associations

- Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel
 - Toxic Tort Committee
- Madison County (Illinois) Bar Association
- The Missouri Bar

Insights

Events & Speaking Engagements

- "Defendant Corporate Representative Depositions in Toxic Tort Cases," IDC Webinar (2022). (Co-presenter)
- "General Deposition Tips," IDC Webinar (2020).
- "Municipal Purchasing," Illinois Municipal League 94th Annual Conference, Section of the Illinois Municipal Treasurers Association (Chicago, 2007).

Publications

"Survey of Toxic Tort Law Cases," *Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel 2022 Survey of Law* (2023). (Contributor)

Blog Posts

MAY 20, 2025 | BLOG

2025 Status Call: A Close Look at the State of Asbestos Litigation in Hotbed Illinois Jurisdictions

AUGUST 19, 2022 | BLOG

3 Keys to Preparing for Corporate Representative Depositions

NOVEMBER 15, 2017 | BLOG

Madison County Circuit Court Considers Question of Duty, Grants Defendant U.S. Steel Corporation's Motion for Summary Judgment