

Asbestos

HeplerBroom has successfully defended against asbestos-related disease claims for nearly 40 years.

Our firm has been involved in defending asbestos-related disease claims since cases began in Madison County (Illinois) in 1986. The Firm has partners who have tried asbestos cases to verdict in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Virginia.

We also serve as National Counsel for several clients, coordinating the defense of cases in numerous states across the country. In addition, we serve as local and regional counsel for clients in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, and Missouri. We handle nearly 2,000 asbestos cases set for trial yearly, so our team of attorneys and paralegals knows how to prepare a case for trial and see it through to verdict.

Currently, HeplerBroom represents more than 300 diversely situated defendants, including manufacturers, suppliers, sellers, distributors, contractors, and premises owners. We have strong contacts with nationally recognized expert witnesses and consultants in asbestos litigation and other toxic torts. With offices in Madison County, Springfield, Chicago, and Crystal Lake, Illinois, as well as St. Louis, Missouri, and Hammond, Indiana, HeplerBroom can efficiently handle cases throughout the Midwest.

Insights

News

[JANUARY 22, 2026 | RECOGNITION](#)

15 HeplerBroom Attorneys Named 2026 Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

[SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 | FIRM NEWS](#)

Chicago Office Adds New Asbestos Associate

[JULY 1, 2025 | FIRM NEWS](#)

HeplerBroom Adds New Toxic Tort Defense Attorney

PRACTICE CONTACTS

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Kelly M. Libbra

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Anne B. Schmidt

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Brittany D. Shoaff

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FEBRUARY 27, 2025 | FIRM NEWS

HeplerBroom Adds Texas Attorney to Its Asbestos Practice Group

APRIL 25, 2024 | FIRM NEWS

HeplerBroom Partners Attend Missouri Asian American Bar Association Dinner

JANUARY 2, 2024 | FIRM NEWS

HeplerBroom Announces Four New Partners

NOVEMBER 9, 2023 | FIRM NEWS

HeplerBroom Adds New Fall Associates

Publications

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025 | PUBLICATION

Dmitrieva and Libbra Published in State Defense Association Journal

Events

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Zobrist to Speak at National Perrin Asbestos Conference

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

HeplerBroom Attorneys Once Again Play Key Roles at Asbestos Conference

SEPTEMBER 27, 2024 | EVENT

HeplerBroom Attorneys to Play Key Roles at Asbestos Conference

SEPTEMBER 12, 2024 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Kiser Speaking at National Perrin Asbestos Litigation Conference

NOVEMBER 15, 2023 | EVENT

Hall Discusses Asbestos Defense at National Conference

SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Three HeplerBroom Attorneys Play Key Roles at Asbestos Conference

JUNE 8, 2023 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Libbra to Moderate Toxic Tort Webinar

MARCH 6, 2023 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hall to Discuss Asbestos Issues at National Conference

SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

3 HB Attorneys to Play Key Roles at Asbestos Conference

JUNE 22, 2022 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Rosser and Libbra to Discuss Preparing Corporate Representatives for Depositions

SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

HB Attorneys to Play Key Roles at Asbestos Conference

JUNE 17, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Kiser to Present Continuing Education Webinar on Handling Depositions

DECEMBER 10, 2020 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hall Speaks at DRI's Asbestos Medicine Seminar

DECEMBER 2, 2020 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Baum And Hall Play Key Role In Asbestos Conference

SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Three HB Attorneys to Play Key Roles in Asbestos Conference

NOVEMBER 8, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Hall to Speak on Intersection of Asbestos Defense and Music

AUGUST 9, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Three HB Attorneys to Play Key Roles in Asbestos Conference

AUGUST 10, 2017 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Four HB Attorneys to Contribute to Asbestos Litigation Conference

SEPTEMBER 18, 2014 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Baum, Stufflebeam, and Kiser Contribute to HarrisMartin Midwest Asbestos Conference

SEPTEMBER 21, 2012 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Baum, Kiser, and Stufflebeam Contribute to HarrisMartin Midwest Asbestos Conference

Blog Posts

DECEMBER 16, 2025 | BLOG

What to Know About Asbestos Litigation in Cook County, Illinois

AUGUST 12, 2025 | BLOG

Procedural Changes Anticipated for St. Louis Asbestos Cases in 2026

JULY 1, 2025 | BLOG

Foreign Companies, Meet Illinois Courts: Senate Bill 328

MAY 20, 2025 | BLOG

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

MARCH 6, 2025 | BLOG

Medicare Secondary Payer News, Notes, and Updates for 2025

JANUARY 16, 2025 | BLOG

Tapped Out: Bankruptcies in Asbestos Litigation and Their Effect on Product Identification

OCTOBER 1, 2024 | BLOG

Illinois and Missouri: Two Different States, Two Different Interpretations of Strict Liability for Products

JANUARY 23, 2024 | BLOG

Understanding the Challenges of Defending Take-Home Asbestos Exposure Claims

OCTOBER 24, 2023 | [BLOG](#)

California Appellate Court Muzzles Corporate Representative Testimony

OCTOBER 12, 2023 | [BLOG](#)

CMS Issues Long-Awaited Final Rule Imposing Civil Money Penalties for Failing to Properly Report Pursuant to Medicare Secondary Payer Obligations

NOVEMBER 23, 2021 | [BLOG](#)

Courts Deny Evidence of Asbestos Contamination of Talcum Powder as Hearsay

APRIL 20, 2021 | [BLOG](#)

Another Round of Missouri Legislative Proposals to Reform Asbestos Litigation

JUNE 11, 2020 | [BLOG](#)

Iowa Law Addresses Over-Naming of Defendants in Asbestos-Related Lawsuits

APRIL 23, 2020 | [BLOG](#)

Missouri Legislature Attempts to Pass Asbestos Claims Transparency Law

APRIL 11, 2018 | [BLOG](#)

Distributor of Electrical Conduit Owes a Duty to Wife of Consumer

NOVEMBER 15, 2017 | [BLOG](#)

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

OCTOBER 9, 2017 | [BLOG](#)

Changes to Law Governing the Value of Plaintiffs' Medical Bills and the Collateral Source Rule

SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 | [BLOG](#)

"Not Compensable" Does Not Always Mean "Not Covered": Using Conflicts Law to Bar Civil Actions Arising From Injuries Subject to Another State's Workers' Compensation Statute