

Brian C. Haussmann has experience in a broad range of complex commercial litigation. He regularly represents corporate entities and individuals in state and federal courts in Chicago and throughout the country. He has litigated cases involving contract claims, fraud and other business torts, partnership and shareholder rights, the Uniform Commercial Code, complex real estate transactions, trade secrets, restrictive covenants, strict product liability, antitrust violations, and insurance coverage.

Mr. Haussmann has extensive experience in all phases of the litigation process, including depositions, expert discovery, oral arguments, trials and appeals. In addition, he has extensive experience litigating requests for preliminary and permanent injunctive relief. He also counsels clients on matters not in litigation, and has helped to resolve important disputes without litigation.

The following are representative matters Mr. Haussmann has litigated:

- Defended Fortune 500 company in federal lawsuit alleging breach of a sales contract for the sale of five corporate properties. Following a bench trial, the court denied plaintiff's request for a preliminary injunction enjoining the properties' sale to another bidder.
- Helped obtain a temporary restraining order for a hospital products company requiring its exclusive supplier of an important product to continue supplying product during the parties' arbitration of a contract dispute.
- Assisted trial team in defending a federal class action lawsuit alleging employment discrimination in violation of ERISA. After a 9-day bench trial, the district court found in favor of the defendants on all counts.
- Helped minority members of a limited liability company avoid an unfair sale and potential squeeze-out related to the company's investment in a commercial office building; achieved successful outcome without filing suit.
- Obtained a complete defense verdict for automobile manufacturer and distributor in a week-long product liability jury trial resulting from a nationwide recall.
- Served as lead appellate lawyer for an indigent criminal defendant upon appointment by the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals. Following briefing and argument, the court reversed the client's conviction and vacated his 20-year sentence.

Mr. Haussmann joined Tabet DiVito & Rothstein LLC in June 2008. Before joining Tabet DiVito & Rothstein LLC, Mr. Haussmann was a litigation associate at Jenner & Block LLP. He graduated *cum laude* from Cornell Law School in 2004, where he served as Note Editor for the Cornell Law Review. He also served as a legal intern at the Cornell Legal Aid Clinic, where he represented clients pro bono before administrative tribunals and in New York State and federal court. Mr. Haussmann received his B.A., with High Distinction, in Philosophy and Germanic Studies from Indiana University, Bloomington in 2001.

Mr. Haussmann is admitted to practice law in Illinois, as well as in the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the United States District



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Mr. Haussmann is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association, including its commercial litigation committee.