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PRIMARY PRACTICES

Litigation

Complex Commercial Litigation

Appellate Advocacy

Stephen Scallan maintains a sophisticated litigation practice focused on high-stakes commercial disputes in both federal and state courts, including complex shareholder litigation, fraud and Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) actions, breach of contract matters, professional liability claims, and fraudulent transfer litigation.

Helping clients in all phases, Stephen has appellate experience representing clients in appeals from both federal and state court judgments, including briefing and oral advocacy on complex legal and procedural issues.

A Chicago area native, Stephen received his J.D. from the University of Notre Dame Law School and a bachelor's degree from Northwestern University.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Obtained dismissal of civil RICO claims based upon securities bar in the RICO statute.
- Represented carpet store owner in connection with his dispute with a major carpet supplier. Matter resolved after defendant's motion to dismiss was denied.
- Obtained verdict for plaintiff in a contempt proceeding stemming from defendant's having sold an asset while subject to a citation. Verdict was obtained by demonstrating at trial that defendant had backdated numerous documents. Bankruptcy court ruled that defendant's obligation was non-dischargeable.
- Secured favorable settlement for defendant in long running multi-million-dollar partnership dispute involving multiple entities, multiple lawsuits, and an arbitration action.
- Secured verdict for client who authored a prudence opinion for the Illinois Student Assistant's Commission in connection with its investment in the South Shore Bank. Client had been accused of malfeasance and fraud in connection with the transaction.
- Obtained a favorable settlement for client accused by Sentinel Bankruptcy Trustee of having received millions of dollars in fraudulent transfers.
- Represented copy equipment supplier in action brought by equipment lender. The matter involved protracted trial court proceedings, two Seventh Circuit appeals, and a referral of a certified question to the Minnesota Supreme Court. Seventh Circuit dismissed lender's second appeal as untimely and client prevailed.
- Obtained favorable settlement for plaintiff in RICO action against real estate developer.
- Represented Illinois Department of Insurance in RICO action against persons who defrauded an insurance carrier. Action settled after defendants' motions to dismiss were denied.
- Obtained Seventh Circuit reversal of attorney fee award against Maurice Lenell Cooky Co.



- Successful resolution of patent ownership dispute.
- Successful defense of father in trust litigation initiated against him by his sons.
- Secured summary judgment for University of Chicago Hospitals and Clinics on patient's claim of sexual assault by hospital psychologist.
- Successful defense of phen/fen claim brought against University of Chicago Hospitals and Clinics.
- Seventh Circuit affirmation of suppression of evidence in racketeering case.
- Seventh Circuit affirmation of suppression of evidence in extortion case, resulting in dismissal of all charges.
- Seventh Circuit reversal of sanction against class action/mass tort law firm, Motley Rice.
- Obtained dismissal of all charges against client in federal bank fraud case.
- Secured summary judgment for a doctor in an insider trading case that had been brought by the S.E.C.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- State of Illinois, 1995
- State of Georgia, 2023
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 2002
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, 2002

EDUCATION

- University of Notre Dame Law School, J.D., 1995
- Northwestern University, B.A., 1992

AWARDS & HONORS

- Illinois Super Lawyers, 2018-2026
- AV Preeminent®, Martindale-Hubbell
- Irish Legal 100, 2015-2026

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- Partner, Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP, 2026 – present
- Partner, Staes & Scallan P.C., 2005 – 2026
- Cole & Staes, 1997 – 2005

PERSONAL

Stephen grew up in Glencoe, Illinois, attending New Trier High School and playing varsity tennis. Stephen and his wife live in Wilmette with their four sons.