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Bartlit Jr Fred <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Band 1
Beck Philip <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>

Notable Practitioners

Described as “*fearless in the courtroom*,” **Phil Beck** of Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP has an exceptionally good reputation, both locally and nationally. His recent successes include securing a complete defense verdict for Federal Signal following a five-week jury trial. **Fred Bartlit** is “*still at the top of the tree*” when it

comes to trial work, receiving accolades from numerous sources.

PRODUCTS LIABILITY

Products Liability
Leading Firms
Band 2
Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Beck Philip <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Band 4
Scott Donald E <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Band 5
Hoeflich Adam <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Products Liability: Pharmaceutica
Beck Philip <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Bartlit Beck rises through the ranks due to the much-lauded efficiency of its business model – it provides specialist advice at lower overheads than many of its larger counterparts. Clients also praise a “*deep bench of lawyers who are able to parachute in and turn the tide in a trial.*” Founding partner **Philip Beck** has an enviable track record, putting him “*on the shortlist for clients with particularly complicated matters.*” **Donald Scott** has been successful in several lead paint cases,

recently representing former lead pigment manufacturers before the Rhode Island Supreme Court. He is also representing AstraZeneca in the Seroquel litigation. **Adam Hoeflich** has achieved success for DuPont in class action certification matters relating to its Teflon litigation.

ILLINOIS

LITIGATION

Litigation: General Commercial

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Sources concur that this is “one of the great litigation boutiques and consistently stands out.” The team of 58 lawyers has expertise across all areas of litigation, from trials to arbitration, with a focus on large and complex cases. The key strengths of this broad practice are products liability, antitrust and corporate disputes. Highlights for the group include defending DuPont against claims of property damage in a major environmental tort class action, and the continued representation of Merck in the Vioxx litigation.

Philip Beck is tremendously impressive, and widely regarded as one of the leading trial lawyers in the country, focusing on products and accountant liability and large corporate disputes. **Adam Hoeflich** has developed a strong practice in multidistrict litigation advice and class actions. Senior partner **Fred Bartlit** remains an influential member of the practice, splitting his time between Denver and Chicago. His practice is focused on large-scale commercial and patent litigation.

COLORADO

LITIGATION: General Commercial

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This outfit is “a major national presence as well as a top-notch regional competitor.” Peers are quick to praise its trial expertise and the volume of commercial claims and high-profile IP litigation mandates it receives. Clients, meanwhile, appreciate the firm’s fair billing structure, which pays attention to the nature of the claim when assessing prices. “A strong presence in the region,” the talented **Fred Bartlit** is “an

expert trial attorney in various commercial matters.” He was recently successful in a major patent infringement lawsuit involving medical equipment patent owners, in which damages totaled over \$300 million. Another name partner, **Donald Scott** is also highly regarded for his prowess in court and his expertise in areas ranging from products liability to antitrust.

CORPORATE/M&A

Corporate/M&A

Leading Firms

Band 2

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Leading Individuals

Band 1

Palenchar James *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

Band 2

Stephens Thomas *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

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This team of eight experienced lawyers has long-standing expertise in a range of corporate work, including M&A and related financing transactions, private equity, securities, hedge fund and corporate governance work. It focuses primarily on the midmarket. The team places great importance on building client relationships, and to this end it offers clients a flexible billing policy rather than the usual hourly rate. The group advises clients from a range of sectors, including the finance, energy and media industries, and recently acted for Trico Marine Services on its \$810 million acquisition of the outstanding capital stock of DeepOcean

ASA; it also represented Caltius Partners with regard to its mezzanine financing and related equity investments in Griplock Systems, Bulk Handling Systems and Diversified Human Resources. Corporate department head **James Palenchar** is highly respected for his skills in M&A and general corporate work on both a local and a national level. He recently acted for Platte River Ventures in relation to its acquisition of a 20% interest in Intrepid Mining. Partner **Thomas Stephens** is highlighted for his skillful work for a variety of corporations in both the private and public sectors. He advised Real Goods Solar on its \$55 million IPO.

