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## NATIONWIDE

### LITIGATION TRIAL LAWYERS

#### Litigation: Trial Lawyers

##### Leading Individuals

##### Senior Statesmen

Bartlit Jr Fred *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

##### Band 1

Beck Philip *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

#### Fred Bartlit Jr

##### Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Denver-based Fred Bartlit, a founding partner of trial boutique Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott, “does an exceptional job in the courtroom.” Other interviewees agree: “Judges and juries just love him.” He focuses on antitrust, securities, product liability and white-collar criminal litigation among other matters.

#### Philip Beck

##### Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Chicago-based Philip Beck is “one of the premier trial lawyers in the county.” His skill in the courtroom is helped by his “winning personality.” His broad experience includes product liability and mass torts, complex financial cases, antitrust litigation, RICO actions and accounting malpractice cases.

### PRODUCT LIABILITY & MASS TORTS

#### Product Liability & Mass Torts

##### Leading Firms

##### Band 2

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

#### Product Liability & Mass Torts

##### Leading Individuals

##### Star individuals

Beck Philip *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

##### Band 4

Scott Donald E *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

##### Band 5

Hoeflich Adam *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

#### Product Liability: Pharmaceutical

Beck Philip *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

#### Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

**THE FIRM** This trial boutique has an outstanding reputation in product liability proceedings. Sources continue to praise the depth of the group’s talent despite the departure of three partners to the newly established Goldman Ismail Tomaselli Brennan & Baum. It represents a broad base of clients, including Federal Signal, Merck and NL Industries. It was also retained by Bayer as national, multidistrict litigation and lead trial counsel in the Baycol litigation.

**Sources Say:** “A trial powerhouse that attracts tremendous talent.”

**KEY INDIVIDUALS** Philip Beck is a preeminent trial attorney, with a phenomenal

reputation for representing pharmaceutical companies. “It is hard to find a bigger star in this area,” according to one interviewee. Beck is national trial counsel for Bayer in both the Trasyol and the Baycol litigation. Donald Scott has a broad and successful products practice. “He can do just about anything!” comments one impressed interviewee. He is lead trial counsel for AstraZeneca in litigation involving claims of diabetes due to use of Seroquel. Adam Hoeflich is commended for his strength in both the technical and the strategic elements of products litigation. He is lead counsel for Bayer on YAZ and Yasmin oral contraceptive cases and for Georgia-Pacific in drywall litigation.

## ILLINOIS

### LITIGATION

#### Litigation: General Commercial

##### Leading Firms

##### Band 1

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

#### Leading Individuals

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#### Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

**THE FIRM** This boutique may be more compact than some of its competitors, but it is widely acknowledged as a formidable force in commercial litigation, and renowned for its exceptional group of experienced trial lawyers. Clients appreciate the streamlined staffing of cases and the lawyers’ strategic input. The 58-lawyer group has expertise in all types of litigation, but its main focus is on large-scale complex cases. It is particularly strong in product liability, antitrust and corporate disputes.

**Sources Say:** “Efficiently structured and very innovative.”

**KEY INDIVIDUALS** Philip Beck is one of the most in-demand lawyers in the country. “He is a really smart guy who can distill the complex into the understandable; he also has a winning personality and is charming and personable,” clients say. Adam Hoeflich works on matters ranging from pharmaceutical withdrawals and mass torts to class actions. His clients include Bayer and DuPont. Fred Bartlit represents clients in complex commercial and patent litigation, and is lauded as “a workhorse – he is great in court, astute and incredibly well prepared.”

## COLORADO

### 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*

#### Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

**THE FIRM** This consistently excellent firm has a broad corporate practice that includes a large amount of private equity and energy-focused transactional and securities work. Clients include Gotham Capital, Federal Signal, Alpha Natural Resources and First Reserve.

**Sources Say:** “A high-end practice with excellent breadth of expertise.”

**KEY INDIVIDUALS** James Palenchar is highly regarded by peers and clients for his corporate

work in Colorado. He is praised as “a tremendous lawyer with an exceptional reputation, who is capable of doing any corporate transaction you throw at him.” Palenchar was part of the team acting as US acquisition counsel to Western Union in its \$370 million agreement to acquire Canada-based Custom House. Thomas Stephens is also well regarded and is described as “a superior practitioner with an active practice.” He undertakes a range of corporate and securities law-related matters.

### LITIGATION

#### Litigation: General Commercial

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Summers Glenn *Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP*

#### Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

**THE FIRM** This highly regarded firm represents a range of clients in matters that include IP, torts and employment-related litigation. Clients include pharmaceutical company Bayer, digital company RealNetworks and manufacturer NL Industries. The firm won a \$4.8 million jury verdict in a high-profile employment action against mutual fund Janus Capital Group.

**Sources Say:** “An excellent group of lawyers with a high-end practice and a first-rate reputation.”

**KEY INDIVIDUALS** Fred Bartlit has an impressive reputation for a practice that covers white-collar, patent and products liability litigation, as well as securities, public service and

election law-related disputes. He is considered “an outstanding lawyer and an anchor of the firm.” Donald Scott is commended for his work in the state and has a wide-ranging practice that encompasses antitrust and patent disputes, products liability work, shareholder rights matters and allegations of fraud and violation of fiduciary provisions. Glenn Summers is acknowledged as “a skilled trial lawyer who has had some high-profile victories.” His expertise covers a range of actions including civil rights and IP disputes. His success in the latter area includes obtaining a defense jury verdict for Covidien in a high-stakes patent infringement action in the Central District of California.

