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LITIGATION Trial Lawyers

Litigation: Trial Lawyers Senior Statesmen

Senior Statesmen: distinguished older practitioners

Bartlit Jr Fred Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Leading Individuals

Band 1

Beck Philip Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Fred Bartlit Jr

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Fred Bartlit divides his time between Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP's Denver and Chicago offices. Observers recognize his "long-established reputation" and impressive career as a trial lawyer. He remains an influential figure at the firm for complex commercial and patent disputes.

Philip Beck

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Philip Beck holds a stellar reputation for his advocacy in commercial and product liability cases. Sources describe him as "a top-shelf trial lawyer – he has an entirely well-deserved reputation as a master of the courtroom." His business litigation and mass tort expertise is complemented by his significant experience in handling IP disputes, and he also regularly receives high-profile auditing and accounting mandates. Beck's recent major matters include representing Whirlpool in a bellwether trial concerning front-loading washers. He is based at Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP in Chicago.

PRODUCT LIABILITY & MASS TORTS

Product Liability & Mass Torts Leading Firms

Band 1

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Leading Individuals

Star individuals

Beck Philip Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Band 4

Hoeflich Adam Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Scott Donald E Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Product Liability: Pharmaceutical Leading Individuals

Beck Philip Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

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What the team is known for Heavyweight trial practice with an enviable track record in product liability. A formidable bench with extensive experience in serving as first chair in trials, handling contentious matters across a range of industry sectors. Particularly acknowledged for strength in the drug and device space.

Strengths (Quotes mainly from clients)

"A stable of high-caliber lawyers."

Work highlights Successfully represented Whirlpool as lead trial counsel in the bellwether consumer class action trial regarding its front-loading washing machines.

Notable practitioners

"Top-shelf trial lawyer" **Philip Beck** maintains "an entirely well-deserved reputation as a master of the courtroom" and is commended for his longstanding product liability practice, particularly in the

pharmaceutical space. Recent work highlights include defending Whirlpool in litigation regarding its front-loading washers. **Adam Hoeflich** is identified for his handling of complex multidistrict litigation in the drug and device space. He has deep experience in representing key names in the sector such as Merck and DuPont. Interviewees describe him as "thorough and strategically dead-on," and "incredibly good at being proactive." **Donald Scott** has a wealth of experience in handling pharmaceutical product liability and toxic tort cases. He represents major clients in litigation against plaintiff groups and state attorneys, and continues to receive praise for his handling of the lead paint litigation.

Significant clients Merck, Georgia-Pacific, Federal Signal, Bayer.

ILLINOIS

LITIGATION

Litigation: General Commercial Leading Firms
Band 1
Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP
Senior Statesmen and Eminent Practitioners
Senior Statesmen: distinguished older practitioners
Bartlit Jr Fred Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Beck Philip Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP
Band 4
Hoeflich Adam Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

What the team is known for Market-leading boutique that specializes in high-stakes complex litigation. Notable for its involvement in many of the largest trials in the country. Expertise encompasses class actions and antitrust enforcement.

Strengths (Quotes mainly from clients)

"It's a great firm and the lawyers we worked with were great trial lawyers."

Work highlights Continued to act as lead trial counsel for Sabre in a series of antitrust claims brought by American Airlines and US Airways in both state and federal courts.

Notable practitioners

Renowned litigator **Philip Beck** has a nationwide commercial practice in high-stakes, sophisticated

litigation, including in the Supreme Court. A nationwide star in the product liability arena, Beck is described as *"so great at what he does."*

Adam Hoeflich acts in sophisticated multidistrict commercial litigation, including class actions. His clients include numerous large enterprises. He is also regarded as a leading expert in product liability and frequently represents big pharma in high-value disputes. *"Legend"* **Fred Bartlit** is an experienced commercial litigator who acts in complex matters across the USA. He has notable expertise in patent, antitrust and securities disputes, and has litigated in front of the Supreme Court.

Significant clients DuPont, Bayer, Federal Signal, United Technologies, Verizon.

COLORADO

CORPORATE/M&A

Corporate/M&A Leading Firms
Band 3
Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Palenchar James <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Band 2
Stephens Thomas <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Up-and-coming individuals
Morrill Rob <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

What the team is known for Highly regarded corporate team with a huge breadth of transactional experience. Regularly assists local and national business clients with governance and regulatory issues and leveraged buyouts.

Strengths (Quotes mainly from clients)

"The transaction closed on time and they helped us through difficult issues. They were very cost-effective and efficient in their work."

Work highlights Counseled Lariat Partners in its \$100 million purchase of Newpark Environmental Services, a waste disposal provider to the natural resources industry.

Notable practitioners

James Palenchar is highly respected by the market for his intellect, business savvy and creativity. He is experienced in a plethora of corporate and transactional matters, including acquisitions, joint ventures and proxy contests. **Thomas Stephens** effectively advises on a whole host of sophisticated issues, including capitalizations, securities compliance and public equity and debt offerings. Sources remark: *"He is very experienced, with outstanding knowledge of the law and concise communications skills."* **Rob Morrill** has an expanding portfolio of high-profile clients, including private equity funds. Observers note: *"He is a great transactional lawyer. He is practical and commercial in negotiations and clients like him a lot."*

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Senior Statesmen: distinguished older practitioners
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Leading Individuals
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Scott Donald E <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Band 4
Olson Eric <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>
Summers Glen <i>Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP</i>

Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

What the team is known for A highly commended national litigation practice with significant experience across the gamut of commercial matters. Marked out for its familiarity with mass tort and bet-the-company litigation, as well as its representation of life sciences clients.

Work highlights Currently representing Amazon in a high-value IP lawsuit involving alleged patent infringement.

Notable practitioners

Founding partner **Donald Scott** is described by one interviewee as *"one of the finest trial lawyers I have ever dealt with."* He has been advising clients for over four decades on diverse matters, including IP and contract law. **Glen Summers** acts for clients both locally and

nationally, and has tried cases in the federal courts of more than six different states. Areas of particular focus include malpractice actions against law firms, antitrust and product liability matters. **Fred Bartlit** continues to be recognized for his outstanding work at the forefront of the litigation field. He specializes in several areas, including financial and securities fraud and antitrust. **Eric Olson** has a growing practice in plaintiff and defense-side jury trials, particularly those involving product liability and contract issues. He is sought after for his strong scientific background and experience litigating for and against large agriculture and technology clients.

Significant clients Bayer, DuPont, UnitedHealth Group, Hewlett-Packard, United Technologies