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Phil Beck is widely recognized as one of the leading courtroom lawyers (both trial and appellate) in the United States. Although he primarily represents business entities, he has handled several other types of high profile cases.

In ***Gore v. Bush***, Phil headed George W. Bush's trial team in the Florida recount litigation that ultimately determined the 2000 presidential election.

In ***United States v. Microsoft***, Phil represented the United States in the remedial phase of the Microsoft antitrust action.

In ***Newsome v. McCabe***, Phil won a record-setting damages verdict in a civil rights case involving the wrongful imprisonment of an innocent man for fifteen years.

Phil has a broad business litigation practice with particular emphasis on mass tort/product liability, intellectual property, commercial, and financial cases.

In the mass tort/product liability arena, Phil has been lead counsel in several federal MDLs, including *Vioxx* and *Baycol*, and has defended manufacturers before state court juries in plaintiff-friendly jurisdictions such as Philadelphia, Corpus Christi, St. Louis, Chicago, New Orleans, and Miami. *The National Law Journal* has awarded him multiple Defense Verdicts of the Year.

The *Best Lawyers* publication recently named Phil as Chicago's top intellectual property litigator. Phil has handled patent cases involving such diverse technologies as jet engines, industrial sanders, natural gas fracking, chemical compositions, treadmills, and medical diagnostic systems.

Phil has tried commercial cases in areas such as lender liability, antitrust, contracts, joint ventures, fraud, and insurance coverage.

Phil has represented several hedge funds and other corporate plaintiffs against major financial institutions. He has also handled several auditing cases and arbitrations for PwC, Ernst & Young, Deloitte & Touche, and, before its demise, Arthur Andersen.

EDUCATION & HONORS

Boston University School of Law, 1976, J.D., *magna cum laude*

Editor-in-Chief, *Boston University Law Review*

University of Wisconsin, 1973, B.A.

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

MASS TORT/PRODUCT LIABILITY CASES

Vioxx

Plaintiffs claimed that Merck's drug Vioxx caused heart attacks and strokes. Merck suffered setbacks early in the litigation in state courts in Texas and New Jersey. In the federal MDL in New Orleans, Merck was facing five bellwether jury trials in less than twelve months. Merck retained Phil to be its lead trial lawyer in the federal cases. Phil tried all five cases, winning outright defense verdicts in four of five trials. These results were widely credited with making possible the eventual settlement of tens of thousands of claims.

Plunkett v. Merck

Trial in Houston federal court (relocated from New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina). Mistrial declared after jurors deadlocked 8-1 in favor of the defense. Retrial in New Orleans federal court. Jury verdict for Merck on all issues.

Barnett v. Merck

Trial in New Orleans federal court. Jury verdict for plaintiff.

Smith v. Merck

Trial in New Orleans federal court. Jury verdict for Merck on all issues.

Mason v. Merck

Trial in New Orleans federal court. Jury verdict for Merck on all issues.

Dedrick v. Merck

Trial in New Orleans federal court. Jury verdict for Merck on all issues.

Baycol

Plaintiffs claimed that Bayer's drug Baycol caused a rare muscle disorder called rhabdomyolysis. Bayer faced tens of thousands of claims in a federal MDL in Minneapolis, coordinated cases in state courts in Philadelphia and Houston, and individual cases in state courts around the country. Phil was Bayer's lead lawyer for all the Baycol litigation. In the course of the litigation, Phil has:

- argued class certification in federal court and state courts in Illinois, Oklahoma, and Pennsylvania;
- argued appeals on various issues in the Eighth Circuit (twice), the Illinois Appellate and Supreme Courts, and the United States Supreme Court;

- argued *Daubert* and *Frye* motions in federal and state court;
- argued motions to dismiss *qui tam* actions;
- coordinated activities with Bayer's securities lawyers;
- negotiated individual settlements and the eventual global settlement; and
- won a defense verdict in the first bellwether case in *Haltom v. Bayer*, a jury trial in Corpus Christi, Texas, in which plaintiff sought \$560 million in actual and punitive damages.

Case profiled in May 3, 2004 *Wall Street Journal* article and in *The National Law Journal* June 2, 2003 article, "Designs For Winning: Ten of the Nation's Top Litigators Tell How They Prevailed in the 'Big Case.'"

Fidelis Leads

Lead trial counsel for Medtronic in an MDL concerning fractures of leads used with implanted defibrillators. The cases settled before any trials were conducted.

Firefighter Hearing Loss

Thousands of firefighters from around the United States sued Federal Signal, claiming that its sirens caused hearing loss. Represented Federal Signal in two bellwether cases.

Rago v. Federal Signal

Jury trial in Cook County, Illinois, on the claims of twenty-seven firefighters. Jury verdict for Federal Signal on all claims of all plaintiffs.

Friel v. Federal Signal

Jury trial in Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the claims of nine firefighters. Jury verdict for Federal Signal on all claims of all plaintiffs.

Benlate

Tico Fruit v. DuPont

Costa Rica's largest citrus operation sought \$170 million plus punitive damages from DuPont, claiming that DuPont's fungicide Benlate had destroyed its orange tree groves. Represented DuPont in trial in state court in Miami, Florida. Jury verdict for DuPont.

Lead

Wagner v. NL Industries

Class action on behalf of 7,500 neighborhood residents seeking several hundred million dollars in personal injury and property damages due to emissions of lead from factory over a thirty-five year period. Represented NL Industries at trial in state court in Philadelphia and on appeal. Jury verdict for NL on all issues. Judgment affirmed on appeal.

Case listed as one of Top 15 Defense Verdicts for 1994 by *The National Law Journal*.

Factor Concentrates

In the early 1980s, HIV had infected the nation's blood and plasma supplies before scientists knew that AIDS existed. Factor concentrates, the medicine used to control bleeding in people with hemophilia, is derived from human plasma and was itself contaminated. Thousands of hemophilia patients were infected with HIV and sued the manufacturers of the medicine.

Phil tried three of the bellwether cases on behalf of Alpha Therapeutic Corp., and helped negotiate the global settlement of the remaining claims.

Howray v. Alpha Therapeutic Corp.

Jury trial in state court in Harris County, Texas, on claims that two adolescent boys had contracted AIDS from Alpha's blood clotting medicine. Jury verdict for Alpha on all claims of both plaintiffs.

Case profiled in *The National Law Journal* 1997 issue entitled *Winning: 10 of the Nation's Top Litigators*.

Doe v. Alpha Therapeutic Corp.

Jury trial in state court in St. Louis, Missouri, on claims that three young men had contracted AIDS from Alpha's blood clotting medicine. Jury verdict for Alpha on all claims of all plaintiffs.

Smith v. Alpha Therapeutic Corp.

Jury trial in state court in New Orleans Parish, Louisiana, on claim by parents that their son had died from AIDS contracted from the blood clotting medicine of Alpha or one of three co-defendants. Represented Alpha at trial and on appeal. After four-month trial, judge granted judgment for defendants on statute of limitations grounds notwithstanding verdict for plaintiff. Judgment for defendants affirmed by Louisiana Court of Appeals.

Trasylol

Plaintiffs claim that Bayer's drug Trasylol, which helps control bleeding in the chest cavity during open heart surgery, causes kidney failure.

Lead counsel for Bayer in the federal MDL and state court cases.

Yaz® and Yasmin®

Plaintiffs claim that Bayer's birth control drugs, Yaz® and Yasmin®, cause blood clotting and gallbladder disease.

Lead counsel for Bayer in the federal MDL and state court cases.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CASES

Rolls Royce v. United Technologies

Rolls Royce sought \$4 billion in damages from United Technologies and its Pratt & Whitney division, claiming infringement of a patent concerning the fan blades used in jet engines. Lead counsel for UT and P&W. Shortly before trial, the district court granted summary judgment to UT and P&W on non-infringement. This ruling

followed earlier orders granting summary judgment to UT and P&W on willful infringement and striking major portions of Rolls Royce's damages theory.

Onyx Pharmaceuticals v. Bayer

Represented Bayer in case concerning the ownership of an anti-cancer drug created after the expiration of a joint venture agreement to develop such drugs. Case settled halfway through jury trial.

Cytologix v. Ventana Medical Systems

Theft of trade secrets and patent infringement case involving medical diagnostic technology. Represented Ventana in trial in federal court in Boston. Jury verdict for Ventana on trade secrets claims and for CytoLogix on patent claims.

DuPont v. Phillips Petroleum

Appeal from district court decision upholding a DuPont polyethylene patent and enjoining infringement by Phillips. Represented Phillips Petroleum on appeal. Trial handled by other law firm. Federal Circuit stayed the injunction pending appeal (the first such order in the Federal Circuit's history), reversed the district court's holding of validity, and held for Phillips.

BJ Services v. Halliburton

Patent case involving oil field technology. Represented Halliburton in trial in federal court in Houston, Texas. Jury verdict for BJ Services.

Energy Absorption System v. Roadway Safety Service

Appeal from adverse judgment in patent case involving highway safety devices. Represented Energy Absorption Systems. Trial handled by other firm. Federal Circuit reversed invalidity finding and remanded for new trial on infringement under the doctrine of equivalents.

Brunswick v. Precor

Patent case involving treadmill technology. Represented Brunswick at trial in federal court in Seattle, Washington and on appeal. Jury verdict for Precor. Federal Circuit affirmed in part and reversed in part.

Johnson Products v. Pro-Line

Patent infringement litigation involving chemical compositions used in hair treatment products. Represented Johnson Products in federal court in Chicago. After evidentiary *Markman* hearing, all patent claim interpretation issues resolved favorably to client. Case settled on favorable terms.

Haney v. CRL Industries

Patent infringement case involving industrial sanders. Represented CRL in federal court in Portland, Oregon. Jury verdict on damages for CRL. Advisory jury verdict on invalidity favored Haney. District judge ordered additional briefing on invalidity. Case settled on favorable terms.

Sportvision v. Princeton Video Image

Represented Princeton Video Image in patent case concerning insertion of video images, such as billboards in sports arenas and first-down lines on football fields, into live broadcasts. Case settled.

COMMERCIAL CASES

Confidential AAA Arbitration (Phoenix, AZ)

Represented a Fortune 100 company in confidential, multibillion-dollar contract dispute. The two-week arbitration hearing included testimony from numerous senior executives and expert witnesses. Obtained complete victory for client.

Government of Canada

Represented Canadian government in prosecution of civil RICO claim against R.J. Reynolds seeking more than \$1 billion in damages caused by tobacco companies' scheme to smuggle tobacco into Canada and avoid Canadian taxes. Second Circuit affirmed dismissal on jurisdictional grounds.

Riceland Foods v. Bayer

Jury trial in state court in Stuttgart, Arkansas in which Riceland Foods, the country's largest rice mill, sued Bayer Crop Science for damages due to the contamination of the nation's rice supply by Bayer's experimental genetically modified rice. Riceland sought \$390 million in actual damages, plus punitive damages. Judgment for Riceland for \$12.9 million.

Echostar v. NewsCorp

Contract and fraud case against Rupert Murdoch and NewsCorp. Case settled before trial.

SK Handtools v. Dresser Industries

Fraud case in which Dresser, represented by a different law firm, lost \$4 million in compensatory and \$50 million in punitive damages. Represented Dresser on appeal. Liability verdict upheld; damages verdict reversed and remanded for new trial. Represented Dresser in state court in Cook County, Illinois on remand. Jury verdict of \$1 in nominal damages.

Case profiled in *Corporate Counsel*, Producing a Winner: Backstage at Three of Corporate America's Megasuccesses (July 1999).

Murphy v. United Technologies

Fraud and breach of contract case involving the sale of a business. Represented United Technologies in state court in West Palm Beach, Florida. Jury verdict for United Technologies.

Case listed as Honorable Mention Defense Victory For 1996 by *The National Law Journal*.

Stone Container v. Hartford Steam Boiler

Insurance coverage case in which paper manufacturer sought \$80 million for the explosion of a pulp digester. Represented Hartford Steam Boiler in federal court in Chicago. Trial judge entered summary judgment for Stone. Seventh Circuit reversed with instruction to enter judgment for Hartford Steam Boiler.

First Olefins Limited Partnership v. Phillips Petroleum Company

Corporate governance case in which financial partner sought to enjoin a \$100 million expansion of an ethylene facility in Sweeny, Texas. Represented Phillips Petroleum in Delaware Chancery Court. Preliminary injunction motion denied. Case dismissed.

FMC v. Lloyds of London and Liberty Mutual

Insurance coverage case for reimbursement of environmental cleanup costs at several manufacturing sites. Represented FMC at trial in state court in San Jose, California. Jury verdict of coverage on all sites. Subsequent jury finding of bad faith denial of coverage in second jury trial.

Wisconsin Steel Litigation

Consolidated suits by bankrupt purchaser and Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. asserting that Navistar's sale of a division was a fraudulent transaction designed to evade liabilities. Represented Navistar at trial in federal court in Chicago and on appeal. District court decision for Navistar on bankrupt purchaser's claims for approximately \$1 billion. Judgment affirmed on appeal. Decision for Navistar on PBGC's fraud-based claims; decision for PBGC on a portion of its claim for unfunded pensions as of the date of the sale. Settlement in advance of final judgment.

PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Co., Puget Sound Power and Light, and Washington Water Power Co. v. Western Energy Company

Represented four utilities in arbitration involving purchase obligations under a long-term coal supply agreement. Split decision. Some relief granted; some relief denied.

Medcare HMO v. Bradley

Injunction action to restrain state agency from terminating \$30 million Medicaid contract. Represented Medcare HMO at trial in federal court in Chicago. Court issued preliminary and permanent injunction.

ARTRA v. D.P. Kelly & Associates

Defended fraud and breach of fiduciary cases in bankruptcy court and state court in Chicago. Both cases won.

Richards Oil Co. v. Amoco

Fraud case by Amoco jobber seeking damages for Amoco's withdrawal from Montana. Represented Amoco at trial in federal court in Montana. Jury verdict for Amoco on the fraud claim and directed verdict for Amoco on contract counterclaim.

Thor Power Tool Company v. Weintraub

Sale of business case in which Thor (a subsidiary of Stewart-Warner Corp.) sought the unpaid balance of the purchase price, and Weintraub counterclaimed for fraud. Represented Monroe Weintraub at trial in federal court in Chicago and on appeal. Jury verdict for Weintraub. Judgment affirmed on appeal.

Amalgamated Sugar v. NL Industries

Contested takeover involving the validity of NL Industries' "poison pill" defense. Represented Amalgamated Sugar (Harold Simmons) at trial in federal court in New York. Court enjoined the poison pill; client achieved control.

FTC v. Weyerhaeuser

Government suit to enjoin a merger. Represented Weyerhaeuser at trial in federal court in Washington, D.C. and on appeal. Court denied injunction; merger went forward. Judgment affirmed on appeal.

Pullman Corp. v. J. Ray McDermott

Hostile tender offer case. Represented the target, Pullman Corp., at trial in federal court in Chicago. Target company acquired by white knight during the litigation.

FTC v. Great Lakes Chemical Corporation

Government suit to enjoin a merger. Represented Great Lakes Chemical Corp. at trial in federal court in Chicago. Court denied injunction; merger went forward.

Nuggett Oil v. Amoco

Price fixing and attempted monopoly case brought by three Florida Amoco dealers against Amoco and its local jobber. Represented Amoco at trial in federal court in Florida. Court denied preliminary injunction and dismissed action.

McAleer v. General Motors

Suit involving retroactivity of Illinois Motor Vehicle Franchise Act. Represented General Motors at trial in Illinois state court and on appeal. Following entry of injunction in favor of dealer, Illinois Appellate Court reversed, holding that the statute did not retroactively apply to pre-enactment dealership contracts.

Burroughs v. Pitney Bowes

Suit to enjoin defendant and individual employees from violating non-compete covenants with plaintiff. Represented Burroughs at trial in federal court in Chicago. Court denied injunction.

Diaz v. Indian Head

Contract claim by former employee for post-employment compensation. Represented Indian Head, Inc. at trial in federal court in Chicago. Court held for Indian Head.

Westinghouse Uranium Contract Litigation

Contract claims by seventeen electric utility companies regarding uranium supply agreements. Represented Westinghouse at trial in federal court in Richmond, Virginia. Cases settled after trial while awaiting decision.

FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING/AUDITING CASES

Massachusetts Mutual Life Ins. Co. Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities Litigation (D. Mass.)

Represented MassMutual in its actions under the Massachusetts Uniform Securities Act, against underwriters Credit Suisse and Goldman Sachs, arising from their sales of residential mortgage-backed securities to MassMutual in 2005-2007. Credit Suisse settled after four weeks of trial, taking an additional \$79.5 million charge to earnings because of the settlement payment. Goldman Sachs settled shortly thereafter.

Rauner v. Kirkpatrick (Confidential AAA Arbitration, Chicago) and ***Kirkpatrick v. Rauner*** (Cook County Circuit Court, Illinois)

Represented Bruce Rauner (former Illinois Governor and former managing partner of private equity firm GTCR) in arbitration related to his investment as a limited partner in a private equity fund. The dispute centered on whether the general partner (Kirkpatrick) breached his fiduciary duties by deviating from the partnership agreement's waterfall provision. The case was tried to a final arbitral award, but the results are confidential. Kirkpatrick attempted to litigate a portion of the dispute in the Cook County Circuit Court, but we successfully

moved to compel arbitration.

Residential Funding Corp. (GMAC) v. DeGeorge Financial Corp.

Lender liability case involving an agreement to purchase home construction loans. DeGeorge sought \$390 million plus punitive damages. Residential Funding sought \$96 million by counterclaim. Represented Residential Funding in trial in federal court in New Haven, Connecticut. Verdict for Residential Funding on all issues. Jury awarded Residential Funding \$96 million in damages.

Case listed as one of the Top Plaintiffs' Verdicts for 2001 by *The National Law Journal*.

Amaranth LLC v. J.P. Morgan Chase

Represented hedge fund and trading advisor in action against investment bank, commercial bank, and futures commission agent.

Elliott Associates v. Porsche SE

Represented hedge funds in securities fraud and manipulation lawsuit against Porsche SE related to Porsche's attempted takeover of Volkswagen in 2008.

DK Acquisition Partners v. J.P. Morgan Chase

Represented holders of more than \$1 billion in Enron debt in action against J.P. Morgan Chase and Citigroup alleging concealment of Enron's true financial condition. Case settled.

Morgan Stanley v. Discover

Represented Discover against Morgan Stanley (its former parent) in dispute over proceeds of settlement of antitrust litigation against MasterCard and Visa. Case settled.

Confidential AAA Arbitration

Represented "Big Four" accounting firm in arbitration brought by venture capital firm alleging faulty due diligence and audit work. Decision in client's favor.

PwC Case

FDIC & Colonial BancGroup v. PwC (M.D. Ala. 2017-2018)

Defended PwC against Colonial Bank and the FDIC in a suit filed after the collapse of PwC's audit client Colonial Bank. Colonial Bank sought several hundred million dollars in damages. The FDIC sought over \$2 billion in actual damages, plus unspecified punitive damages. Following a bench trial on liability, the court ruled for PwC on the entirety of Colonial Bank's claim. The court ruled against PwC on some of the FDIC's claims and in favor of PwC on others. The court also ruled in favor of PwC on the FDIC's request for punitive damages. Following a bench trial on damages, the court awarded the FDIC \$625 million. Before judgment was entered, and while post-trial motions were pending, the parties settled the case for \$335 million. One member of the FDIC's board of directors publicly dissented from the settlement because it did not contain an acknowledgment of liability by PwC.

Ernst & Young Cases

Metropolitan Creditors' Trust v. Ernst & Young

The bankrupt estate of Metropolitan Mortgage & Securities sought several hundred million dollars from Metropolitan's auditor, Ernst & Young. Represented Ernst & Young in trial-type arbitration. Decision for Ernst & Young.

Kriedler v. Ernst & Young

Represented Ernst & Young in trial-type arbitration in which the Washington Insurance Commissioner sought \$90 million as receiver for Western United Life Assurance Company. Decision for Ernst & Young.

Metropolitan Securities Class Action Represented Ernst & Young in federal securities class actions concerning the collapse of Metropolitan Mortgage & Securities Co. Class action settled shortly before trial.

Swift Transportation v. Ernst & Young

Represented Ernst & Young in accounting malpractice action arising from merger between Swift Transportation Co. and a competitor. Case settled shortly before trial.

Deloitte & Touche Cases

Taylor Bean & Whitaker Litigation

Represented Deloitte in litigation in Florida state court concerning the audits of defunct mortgage company.

Adelphia Communications Corp.

Represented Deloitte in accounting malpractice case brought by Adelphia. Case resolved on confidential terms.

National Century Financial Enterprises

Represented Deloitte in lawsuits brought by bondholders concerning the collapse of National Century Financial Enterprises. Most cases have been resolved on confidential terms.

Sompo Japan Insurance

Represented Deloitte against claims of accounting errors in reinsurance pool. Case resolved on confidential terms.

Arthur Andersen Cases

Boston Chicken

Represented Andersen in action brought by bankruptcy trustee alleging accounting malpractice, breach of contract, negligent misrepresentation, and aiding and abetting breach of fiduciary duty. Case settled.

Coleman Holdings

Represented Andersen in negligence and fraud action in connection with Andersen's audit of Sunbeam. Case settled.

Board of Trustees of City Colleges

Represented Andersen in litigation concerning derivative securities trading. Obtained partial summary judgment as to most of damages claim. Case settled thereafter.

BIG WINS

Bartlit Beck Obtains Complete Victory in Billion-Dollar Arbitration

Bartlit Beck Wins Summary Judgment for United Technologies in Patent Infringement Suit

Bartlit Beck Wins Second of Back-To-Back Complete Defense Victories for Ernst & Young

Bartlit Beck Wins Complete Defense Verdict in Cook County Jury Trial of 27 Firefighters' Hearing Loss Claims

Bartlit Beck Wins 5 Jury Verdicts in Vioxx Trials

Bartlit Beck Wins Back-to-Back Trials Against Honeywell and Kirkland & Ellis

Bartlit Beck Defeats Product Liability Claim Where Plaintiff Sought \$172 Million Plus Punitive Damages

Bartlit Beck Prevails in First Baycol Trial for Bayer

Bartlit Beck Wins \$96 Million Verdict For GMAC In Jury Trial Against Susman Godfrey

Bartlit Beck Wins \$15 Million for Wrongly Convicted Man

Bartlit Beck Wins Historic Presidential Election Contest Trial in Gore v. Bush

Bartlit Beck Wins \$165 Million Judgment in Patent Infringement Case

Bartlit Beck Turns Tide of HIV Claims by Winning Sample Trials

Bartlit Beck Wins Appeal, Court Sets Aside \$54 Million Verdict

Bartlit Beck Scores a Complete Victory in \$300 Million Products Liability Case

Bartlit Beck Wins Complete Defense Verdict in Fraud Case Involving Stealth Boat Technology

Bartlit Beck Wins Complete Defense Verdict In Class Action Jury Trial

NEWS

Bartlit Beck Partners Rebecca Weinstein Bacon and Phil Beck Recognized by Benchmark Litigation
10.08.2020

Bartlit Beck Earns Top Rankings by Benchmark Litigation
10.01.2020

Bartlit Beck again recognized as a leading law firm in the 2020 edition of Chambers USA
04.23.2020

Bartlit Beck Files a Lawsuit Against KKR, Shamrock Capital, and Former Members of FanDuel Board of Directors

02.25.2020

Bartlit Beck Recognized By Chambers USA 2019

05.01.2019

Phil Beck named by corporate counsel to the BTI Client Service All-Stars 2017

02.07.2017

Phil Beck shares advice on crafting opening statements with ABA Journal

01.27.2017

Bartlit Beck Attorneys Receive High Praise

07.2015

Chambers USA 2015 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top

07.2015

Phil Beck and Rebecca Bacon Obtain Defense Jury Verdict for Whirlpool

10.2014

Bartlit Beck "Highly Recommended Product Liability Firm" in LMG 2014 Life Sciences

10.2014

Chambers USA 2014 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top

08.2014

Bartlit Beck Partners Named To IAM Patent 1000

06.2014

Chambers USA 2013 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top

06.2013

Four Bartlit Beck Partners Named 2013 BTI Client Service All-Stars

02.2013

Chambers USA 2012 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top

06.2012

Phil Beck and Adam Hoeflich named LMG Life Sciences 2012 Stars

06.2012

Phil Beck Named "Chicago Best Lawyers Litigation-Intellectual Property Lawyer of the Year" for 2012

10.2011

Chambers USA 2011 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top

06.2011

Bartlit Beck Wins Summary Judgment for United Technologies in Patent Infringement Suit
05.2011

Phil Beck, Steve Derringer Named Client Service All-Stars
02.2011

Bartlit Beck Wins Hearing Loss Suit For Federal Signal
06.2010

Chambers USA 2010 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
06.2010

Lawyers You Definitely Don't Want To See Across The Aisle
01.2010

Bartlit Beck Wins Second of Back-to-Back Complete Defense Victories for Ernst & Young
11.2009

Fred Bartlit and Phil Beck named to National Law Journal's "Winning Hall of Fame"
09.2009

Chambers USA 2009 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
07.2009

Why Bartlit Beck is High on Tech
01.2009

Chambers USA 2008 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
06.2008

Phil Beck, Chris Lind and Chris Landgraff Win Complete Defense Victory for Ernst & Young in Accountant Malpractice Claim
01.2008

Chambers USA 2007 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
06.2007

Phil Beck and Mark Ouweleen win jury verdict for Merck in fifth federal Vioxx trial
12.2006

Phil Beck Wins Jury Verdict for Merck in Fourth Federal Vioxx Trial
11.2006

Phil Beck Prevails in Third Federal Court Vioxx Case
09.2006

Chambers USA 2006 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
06.2006

Phil Beck Prevails in First Federal Court Vioxx Case
02.2006

Chambers USA 2005 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
05.2005

Bartlit Beck Wins Jury Verdict for DuPont
03.2005

Phil Beck Wins Jury Verdict For DuPont in Benlate® Case
03.2005

Chambers USA 2004 Client's Guide Places Bartlit Beck Attorneys at the Top
05.2004

Defense Verdict: Parachuting Into a Job to Tackle a High Profile Foe
National Law Journal, 03.2004

Newest Lawyer Makes Impact – Bush Attorney Hammers Gore Election Experts
The Miami Herald, 12.2003

Sky Radio Interview with Phil Beck
10.2003

30 Tough Lawyers
Chicago Magazine, 03.2002

2001 Top Plaintiffs' Verdicts
The National Law Journal, 02.2002

Phil Beck named to The National Law Journal's List of Lawyers of the Year
12.2001

Excerpts from Jeffrey Toobin's book, "Too Close to Call"
"The Thirty-Six-Day Battle to Decide the 2000 Election"
11.2001

Bar Fight: Two Legal Heavyweights from Chicago Get Ready to Duke Out Microsoft Case
Tribune staff reporter, 10.2001

Bartlit Beck Secures \$96MM Jury Verdict for GMAC Against Susman, Godfrey
10.2001

Department of Justice Names Phil Beck Lead Trial Counsel for Microsoft Case
Department of Justice—For Immediate Release, 08.2001

'One of the Great Lawyers' Takes on Microsoft
USA Today, 07.2001

Bartlit and Beck Named Lead Lawyers in Election Contest
12.2000

Baker Names New Legal Team for Bush in Election Contest
Associated Press
CNN.com.law center, 11.2000

An International Who's Who of Commercial Litigators
Law Business Research, 01.2000

Fred Bartlit and Philip Beck Named by NLJ as Two of the Top 10 Litigators in Illinois
11.1999

Big Shoulders
The state's top 10 litigators include heavy hitters for both plaintiffs and defendants
The National Law Journal, 11.1999

Producing a Winner - Backstage at Three of Corporate America's Megasuccesses
BEHIND EVERY TRIAL-LAWYER STAR IS AN IN-HOUSE COUNSEL RUNNING THE SHOW. THREE BLOCKBUSTER
DEFENSE VICTORIES DISPLAY THE VARIETY OF SCRIPTS THEY FOLLOW
Corporate Counsel, 07.1999

1998 Honorable Mention Defense Victories
Smaller wins that deserve an honorable mention: fraud
The National Law Journal, 04.1999

1997 Top Defense Verdicts
The National Law Journal, 04.1998

Demonstrative Evidence: The Opening Statement
The Trial Lawyer's Guide, 01.1998

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The National Law Journal, 09.1997

Out of a Fishbowl
Forbes, 12.1996

Diamonds Are This Firm's Best Friend
The American Lawyer, 12.1995

Defense Verdicts: A Roundup of Major 1994 Cases
Wagner v. Anzon Inc.
The National Law Journal, 07.24.1995

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers

Fellow, International Academy of Trial Lawyers

Fellow, International Society of Barristers

Fellow, American Bar Foundation

Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America

Barrister, Order of Centurions

Member, The Trial Law Institute

Member, Diversity Law Institute

Board of Visitors, Boston University School of Law

Recognized as:

Benchmark Litigation-2020 Litigation Star, 2018 National and Illinois Litigation Star, and Top 100 Trial Lawyer

The Best Lawyers 2021 Chicago Litigation- Intellectual Property "Lawyer of the Year"

Who's Who Legal-2015 Lawyer of the Year for Commercial Litigation

The Best Lawyers 2014 Chicago Bet-the-Company Litigation "Lawyer of the Year"

The National Law Journal-Top Defense Verdicts 1994, 1997, "Winning Lawyer" 1997, 2003, Honorable Mention Defense Verdicts 1998, Top 10 Litigators in Illinois, Top Plaintiffs' Verdicts 2001, Lawyer of the Year Runner-Up 2001, "Designs for Winning"

Recognized in:

The Best Lawyers in America

The Best of the Best USA

Chambers USA, Chambers Global

Chicago Magazine

Illinois Super Lawyers

Lawdragon-Leading Lawyers in America, 500 Better than the Best

Leading Lawyers Network-Top Business Lawyers in Illinois

PLC Cross-Border Handbooks-Dispute Resolution

Super Lawyers-The Top Attorneys in Business Litigation

Who's Who Legal-The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers

Who's Who Legal-The International Who's Who of Commercial Litigators

Who's Who Legal-The International Who's Who of Life Sciences Lawyers

Who's Who Legal-The International Who's Who of Product Liability Lawyers

Who's Who Legal-The International Who's Who of Product Liability Defense Lawyers