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Will Gohl has represented clients at various stages of litigation in state and federal courts throughout the country. His experience includes preparing corporate and expert witnesses, drafting written submissions to the court, and developing case-specific factual narratives and demonstratives for products liability, employment discrimination, and other complex commercial matters.

Will joined Bartlit Beck in 2018 after completing clerkships with Judge Amul R. Thapar of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and Judge John Z. Lee of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. He is a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Law and the University of Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

EDUCATION & HONORS

Northwestern University School of Law, 2016, J.D., *magna cum laude*

Order of the Coif

Senior Online Editor, *Northwestern University Law Review*

John Henry Wigmore Scholar

Adlai Ewing Stevenson Award (for best brief in Julius H. Miner Moot Court Competition)

Arlyn Miner Book Award (for best brief in 1L legal writing section)

The University of Oxford (Keble College), 2012, B.A. in Jurisprudence, with First Class Honours (equivalent to *summa cum laude*)

Rhodes Scholar

Regis University, 2010, B.A. in English, B.A. in Politics, *summa cum laude*

CLERKSHIPS

Honorable Amul R. Thapar, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2017-2018

Honorable John Z. Lee, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 2016-2017

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Policy Analyst, Office of Colorado State Senator Mike Johnston, 2012-2013

ADMISSIONS

Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Pratt & Whitney Acreage Litigation (S.D. Fla.)

Trial counsel for Pratt & Whitney in environmental tort cases involving more than \$1 billion in alleged property damage and personal injury claims arising out of the declaration of a "cancer cluster" in a neighborhood near Pratt & Whitney's West Palm Beach facility.

Cotromano et al v. Pratt & Whitney

Obtained a defense verdict after a three-week trial on seven plaintiffs' property diminution claims.

Roundup® Litigation

Serves as counsel for Monsanto and Bayer defending the Roundup® products liability litigation. Plaintiffs allege personal injuries, including non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, caused by Roundup® herbicide. The MDL is pending in the Northern District of California, with state-court proceedings pending in Missouri, California, and other states.

EEOC v. FedEx Ground (W.D. Pa.)

Trial counsel for FedEx Ground in an enforcement action brought by the EEOC under the Americans With Disabilities Act. EEOC filed claims on behalf of roughly 300 deaf FedEx Ground package handlers from dozens of facilities around the country, alleging that FedEx Ground failed to provide a variety of reasonable accommodations to these employees, such as ASL interpreters at meetings. Bartlit Beck was brought in to take over the matter after nearly a decade of investigation, conciliation, and litigation with EEOC. Along with a team of lawyers from three different firms, Bartlit Beck crafted a strategy that led to a favorable settlement in May 2020, prior to a single deposition being taken.

Spirit AeroSystems v. Boeing (Superior Court, King County, WA)

Represented Spirit AeroSystems in \$365 million breach of contract dispute with Boeing relating to Boeing's underpayments and certain warranty claims associated with parts Spirit manufactured for Boeing aircraft. Shortly after Spirit defeated Boeing's motion to dismiss, the parties agreed to dismiss the suit.

NEWS

Bartlit Beck Obtains Defense Verdict for Pratt & Whitney in Palm Beach Cancer Case
07.27.2022

PUBLICATIONS

The Wandering Doctrine of Constitutional Fact
59 *Arizona Law Rev.* 289, 2017

Standing Up for Legislators: Reevaluating Legislator Standing in the Wake of Kerr v. Hickenlooper
110 *Nw. U. L. Rev.* 1269, 2016