



## BRIAN E. KAVENEY

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### EDUCATION

Saint Louis University School of Law  
(J.D., 2005)

College of the Holy Cross  
(B.A., *cum laude*, 1998)

Board of Governors of the Marine Corps  
Association Award  
(Captain, Honor Graduate, 1998)

### PRACTICE AREAS

Facility Clearance Services  
Security Clearance Services  
Business Litigation  
Non-Compete/Trade Secrets  
Tort & Catastrophic Events

### ADMITTED TO BAR

Missouri  
Illinois  
U.S. District Court, Eastern  
District of Missouri  
U.S. District Court, Southern  
District of Illinois

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

The Society of Industrial  
Security Professionals (NCMS)  
The National Defense Industry  
Association  
The Missouri Bar  
Illinois State Bar Association  
Lawyer's Association of St. Louis  
Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers

### LAW PRACTICE

As head of Armstrong Teasdale's Security Clearance and Facility Clearance Task Force, Brian Kaveney focuses on security clearance matters, facility clearance reviews, risk assessments, and compliance issues. He also handles tort and business litigation matters.

Brian assists companies, key management personnel, and employees obtain and maintain the proper security clearance to work with the Department of Defense, the military services, and other agencies. While guiding clients through the clearance process, Brian anticipates issues and concerns and helps companies and individuals adhere to the appropriate guidelines, directives, executive orders, and statutes.

If hearings are warranted, Brian is an experienced advocate who has argued before the Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals and other adjudicative bodies.

### SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In January 2010, Brian convinced a judge from the Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals to grant a security clearance to a senior systems integration engineer who had overcome clearance concerns raised by his conduct as a young enlistee of the U.S. Air Force. The judge considered such mitigating factors as the applicant's stellar employment history, positive testimony from the applicant's supervisors, psychological evaluations and the applicant's age and peer pressure at the time of his misconduct.

Prevented a competitor company from obtaining a preliminary injunction on a transportation contract that our client had earned through a competitive bidding process (2009)

Assisted several companies in demonstrating that key employees met the appropriate mitigating conditions to receive a security clearance (2009)

Won a trial for breach of contract and received a substantial judgment, including sanctions awarding attorneys' fees to our clients (2008)

Obtained a temporary restraining order and permanent injunction against the former employee of a publicly traded bank in a trade secret case (2008)

Achieved a successful result for a client in a security clearance matter before an administrative judge (2008)

Accomplished a successful result for a key executive in a security clearance matter involving the Smith Amendment (2007)

Obtained monetary damages for a defendant homeowner by filing a counterclaim after a company improperly placed a lien on the home and sought damages (2007)

Successfully represented a discharged senior executive in recovering substantial parachute severance benefits (2007)

Selected as an "Up and Coming Lawyer" by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* for 2008



## CIVIC & CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

UIISO of Missouri, Inc.  
(Young Leaders Board)  
Injured Marine Semper Fi Fund  
(Former Board Member)  
Marine Corps - Law Enforcement  
Foundation (Former Committee  
Member)  
Project Angel Tree (Former Committee  
Member)  
Rebuilding Together - St. Louis  
Give Back Ten  
Midwest Marines Foundation (Advisor)

## BACKGROUND

Prior to attending law school, Brian served as a United States Marine Corps Infantry Officer. He achieved the rank of Captain and received the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal. Brian also served as an Aide to the Secretary of the Navy from 1998 to 1999. His military experience and service give him a unique insight into the adjudicative process and enable him to assist clients during the written process and hearings before administrative judges in security clearance matters.

## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

Co-presenter, "Empowering the FSO: Preempting Personnel Clearance Issues," NCMS Carolinas Chapter & Hampton Roads Chapter Brown Bag Training via WebEx (August 2010)

Presenter, "Empowering the FSO: Pre-empting Personnel Clearance Issues," 46th Annual NCMS Society of Security Professionals Seminar (June 2010)

Presenter, "Discussing DOHA and Appeals," Hoosier Heartland Mini-Conference, Rolls-Royce of Indianapolis (June 2010)

Co-Author, "The Common Interest Rule: May Parties Whose Interests Are Aligned Protect Their Coordinated Legal Strategy From Adversaries?," *Journal of the Missouri Bar*, Vol. 66, No. 1, (January-February 2010)

Quoted, "Tort Reform," Legal Corner - *Ladue News* (August 2008)

Presenter, "Current Issues in the Law: An Analysis of Missouri Tort Reform," Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers' Annual Conference (Branson, Missouri) (June 2007)

Co-Author, "What In-House Counsel Needs to Know," *DRI In-House Defense Quarterly* (Spring 2007)

Co-Author, "How Missouri Tort Reform Affects You in 2007," *Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers Newsletter* (Spring 2007)

Honorary Panelist, USA&M seminar titled, "Current Issues in the Law: Tort Reform," Washington University School of Law (February 2007)

Co-Author, "Missouri Tort Reform Changes to Consider: Venue and Liability Provisions," *Mound City Bar Association Newsletter* (February 2007)

Co-Author, "Missouri Tort Reform," *Journal of The Missouri Bar* (November-December 2006)

