

ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Armstrong Teasdale lawyers represent organizations, departments and individuals across public/private sectors and industries in ethics and professional responsibility matters.

Whether as part of an internal investigation, confidential disciplinary process, the development of internal controls or litigation, our lawyers have the experience to advise, consult and represent parties in various federal and state jurisdictions. Our lawyers include former chief disciplinary counsel, state Supreme Court disciplinary committee members, city solicitors, public officials and judges. Our clients, often in government, municipal or professional services, benefit from our robust, cross-functional experience in [Litigation](#), [Governance and Compliance](#), [Medical Malpractice](#), [Tax](#) and [Securities Regulation and Litigation](#) to represent parties charged with enforcing, and parties alleged to have violated code of conduct and ethical obligations.

We aim to provide transparent, clear guidance in each interaction and regularly counsel clients proactively in avoiding violations by implementing thorough compliance programs. We also provide insight and interpretation of guidance in specific applications, as well as offer comprehensive ethics training and Continuing Legal Education seminars.

Our skilled team of lawyers, including a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, has been recognized for its discretion in the face of complex matters, as well as a commitment to civility and professionalism.

Lawyers in our Ethics and Professional Responsibility practice also represent physicians across disciplines, pharmacists and other professionals in state and federal matters where their reputations or licenses are at risk. We skillfully advocate on behalf of our clients before various state licensing boards and disciplinary bodies in response to complaints filed against them.

EXPERIENCE

Successful Defense of Prominent Law Firm in Legal Malpractice Action

Represented prominent law firm in legal malpractice action at the trial and appellate court level in Illinois and succeeded in obtaining a dismissal on the pleadings.

Defense of Am Law 100 Firm in Legal Malpractice Claim

Defended international Am Law 100 law firm in legal malpractice claims involving product liability litigation, employment litigation, charitable gifting and conflicts of interest.

Defense of National Law Firm in Breach of Partnership, Dissolution Case

Defended claims asserted against national law firm in action brought by former partner for breach of partnership agreement, accounting and dissolution of partnership.

Independent Counsel in Illinois Circuit Court Investigation of Law Firm

Appointed as independent counsel in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, investigation of circumstances in which a law firm came to represent plaintiffs in a shareholders' derivative action against a major aerospace manufacturer.

Obtained Early Dismissal in \$50 Million Breach of Fiduciary Duty, Professional Malpractice Suit



In suit seeking over \$50 million damages against receiver and her law firm, obtained early dismissal of claims against law firm and prevented filing of defamation claim under Barton doctrine. Secured summary judgment in favor of receiver on over a dozen claims for breach of fiduciary duty and professional malpractice. Successfully defended all challenged rulings on appeal to the Seventh Circuit.

Successfully Defended Health Care Consultants and Health Care Attorney in Multiple Civil, Bankruptcy and Investigative Proceedings

Successfully defended a health care consulting firm and a health care attorney in multiple civil, bankruptcy and investigative proceedings relating to disputed process and handling fees paid to physicians by testing laboratories.

Dismissal and Favorable Verdict in Breach of Contract, Malpractice Suit

Represented founder of private buying club and his outside counsel against his former employee/attorney in breach of contract and malpractice suit; obtained dismissal of claim against outside law firm and favorable verdict on behalf of client after bench trial.

Defense of Major Law Firm in Malpractice Action

Defended a major law firm in an action involving alleged malpractice relating to the entry of a \$17 million judgment against its former client.

Represented Law Firm in Action to Recover Fees and Expenses

Represented a law firm in an action to recover its fees and expenses pursuant to statutory and retaining liens.

Defense of Major Chicago Law Firm in Multimillion-Dollar Negligence Claim

Defended a major Chicago law firm in connection with multimillion-dollar professional negligence claim.

Defense of Major Law Firm in Malpractice Involving ESOP

Defended a major law firm in alleged malpractice involving an employee stock ownership plan.

Defense of Law Firm in Tax, Estate Planning Malpractice

Defended a major law firm in an action involving alleged malpractice in tax and estate planning.

Representation of Law Firms, Lawyers in Varied Disputes

Represented law firms and individual lawyers in disputes with partners who resigned or were asked to resign, including issues concerning the solicitation of clients, allocation of income, return of capital and breach of fiduciary duty.

Defense in Accounting Malpractice Case

Defended and prosecuted claims for accounting malpractice.