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A former Deputy County Counselor for Jackson County, Missouri, Josh Haner has lead-counsel experience in matters involving contract disputes, employment discrimination, wrongful death, premises liability, eminent domain, regulatory compliance, property tax and civil rights. He has also handled multiple arbitration proceedings concerning wrongful termination claims.

In addition, Josh has briefed and argued matters before the Missouri Supreme Court as well as multiple precedent-setting appeals in the Missouri Court of Appeals.

BACKGROUND

Prior to joining Armstrong Teasdale, Josh was a Deputy County Counselor at the Jackson County Counselor's Office in Kansas City. He also previously served as a judicial law clerk for Jackson County Circuit Court Judge Jalilah Otto.

EDUCATION

- University of Missouri School of Law (J.D., 2016)
 - o CALI Award for Excellence
 - o Phi Delta Phi Honors Fraternity
 - o Journal of Environmental & Sustainability Law, associate member
- University of Missouri (B.A., cum laude, 2013)
 - o Political Science

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association

EXPERIENCE

Dismissal of a Class Action Lawsuit after a Successful Writ in the Missouri Supreme Court

Represented Jackson County in a class action lawsuit seeking damages related to a County property tax reassessment process. After a denial of a motion to dismiss by the Trial Court, a writ was filed in the Missouri Supreme Court. Oral arguments were submitted to the Missouri Supreme Court. In a unanimous opinion, the Missouri Supreme Court unanimously granted the writ and dismissed the class action lawsuit

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Appellate

Employment and Labor

Government Relations and Public Policy

Internal Investigations and Regulatory Compliance

Litigation

White-Collar Criminal Defense and Government Investigations

ADMISSIONS

Missouri

U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

against the County.

Dismissal of a Fair Housing Act Lawsuit

Represented Jackson County in an FHA lawsuit filed by the ACLU that was dismissed by trial court after oral argument. Additionally, successfully represented the County in appellate stages.

Successfully Obtained Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction Represented Jackson County in a contested hearing that resulted in the enforcement of a County Health Order.

Served as Lead Counsel in the Jackson County Merit System Commission Process
Successfully represented the County management officials in challenges to decisions for terminations of County employees through the Jackson County Merit System Commission.