



## RAYMOND R. FOURNIE

### PARTNER

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Ray Fournie primarily focuses his practice in the areas of toxic tort and asbestos defense, along with defense of medical malpractice, products liability, construction and business litigation.

He has been involved in defending asbestos cases for the past 30 years and has served as national trial counsel for asbestos defendants, which allowed him to try cases throughout the country. He has taken 19 asbestos cases to verdict involving 73 plaintiffs and most recently obtained a rare defense verdict in an asbestos case in St. Louis involving a 39-year-old plaintiff with malignant mesothelioma. He has managed and disposed of in excess of 12,000 asbestos cases in Madison County, Ill., and presently is managing and supervising more than 3,200 asbestos cases.

### EDUCATION

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., 1979)
  - Alpha Sigma Nu
- University of Illinois (B.S., 1973)

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- The Missouri Bar
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- Lawyers Association of St. Louis (Past President)
- St. Clair County (Illinois) Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute
- The Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel
- Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers
- Armstrong Teasdale Executive Committee

### CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Municipal Theatre Association of St. Louis (General Counsel, Board of Directors; Chairman, Board of Directors; Vice Chairman, Executive Board)

### SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Asbestos Litigation  
Litigation  
Product Liability  
Manufacturing and Innovation

### ADMISSIONS

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

## ACCOLADES

- *Award of Honor*, Lawyers Association of St. Louis (2018)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>; Lawyer of the Year, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions—Defendants (2013, 2019)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>; Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions—Defendants (2007-present)
- *Martindale-Hubbell* and *American Lawyer Media (ALM)*, Top Rated Lawyer, Healthcare (2013)
- *Missouri/Kansas Super Lawyers*<sup>®</sup> (2011-2015)
- Served as national trial counsel for firm clients and has tried cases throughout the country
- AV<sup>®</sup> Peer Review Rated, *Martindale-Hubbell*