

SCOTT K.G. KOZAK





Scott Kozak serves as trial counsel in the firm's award-winning Tort and Catastrophic Events practice area. He also serves as a member of the firm's Complex Commercial Litigation team. A skilled trial lawyer, he focuses on health care, products liability, complex commercial, toxic tort, and environmental litigation. Scott has extensive federal and state trial experience, and has led clients through successful mediations, arbitrations, and settlement activities.

He also co-founded the firm's Agribusiness and Food practice.

#### **EDUCATION**

- Tulane University School of Law (J.D., cum laude, 1997)
  - o Tulane Maritime Law Review (Managing Editor)
- Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service (B.S.F.S., 1994)
  - o International Relations

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- The Missouri Bar
- Illinois State Bar Association
- International Association of Defense Council
- American Bar Association

### CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Friends of the Saint Louis Zoo
- Friends of the Missouri Botanical Garden
- Georgetown University Alumni Club of Saint Louis (President)
- United Way of Greater Saint Louis (Chairman of firm's 2010 Campaign)

#### **ACCOLADES**

• AV® Preeminent Rated, Martindale-Hubbell

### **BACKGROUND**

Prior to joining Armstrong Teasdale in 2003, Scott was in private practice at another

### **SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES**

**Complex Commercial** 

Litigation

Environmental

Litigation

Mass Tort and Catastrophic

Loss

Medical Malpractice

**Product Liability** 

Class Action Litigation

**Professional Liability** 

Securities Regulation and

Litigation

Health Care and Life Sciences

## **ADMISSIONS**

Missouri

Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth

Circuit

U.S. District Court, Eastern

District of Missouri

U.S. District Court, Southern

District of Illinois

U.S. District Court, Central

District of Illinois

major St. Louis law firm.

Son of a first-generation immigrant, Scott grew up on the East Coast, relocating to the St. Louis area following graduation from law school in 1997. Scott is highly active in the St. Louis community and is passionate about the arts.

# **EXPERIENCE**

## Multimillion-Dollar Environmental Litigation for Fortune 150 Company

Representation of Fortune 150 petroleum and pipeline corporation in third-party multimillion-dollar environmental litigation arising out of operation of petroleum refinery in Illinois. Claims involve assessment of damages and assignment of third-party liability under the Illinois Environmental Protection Act and Illinois Contribution Act.

## **Ongoing Indemnity Litigation in Missouri Trial and Appellate Courts**

Representation of Fortune 150 corporation in complex commercial indemnity litigation in both Missouri state and appellate courts.

### **Favorable Outcome for Public Utility in Inverse Condemnation Trial**

Tried a matter in Missouri state court for a public utility in a tort and takings lawsuit in which a favorable outcome was obtained for the defendant.

## Multimillion-Dollar Personal Injury Toxic Tort Case for Fortune 150 Client

Tried multimillion-dollar personal injury toxic tort case for Fortune 150 corporation for over 12 weeks in Missouri state court. Represented the client in an appeal to the Missouri Court of Appeals resulting in the reversal of over \$200 million in assessed damages.

### Successful Resolution of Securities Class Actions

Successful resolution of securities class actions related to proposed acquisition asserting claims of breach of fiduciary duty by target corporation in acquisition.

# THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

May 11, 2017

Sorin/LivaNova Heater-Cooler Litigation Risk

April 1, 2017

Providers Can Use Collateral Source Rule Changes to Their Advantage

Bloomberg BNA

March 31, 2017

Attorneys Nicolas Cejas, Scott Kozak Discuss Collateral Source Rule in IADC Article

January 5, 2017

Agribusiness and Food Issues to Watch for 2017

July 20, 2016

Slack-fill Litigation on the Rise

July 7, 2016

Terrorism Regulations Finish FDA's FSMA Implementation

June 1, 2016

GMO Labeling and the SAFL Act - Current Status and What the Future May Hold

American Bar Association Section of Litigation Products Liability Journal

May 5, 2016

FDA Extends Regulatory Authority Over All Tobacco Products, Including E-Cigarettes, Cigars and Hookahs

April 6, 2016

FDA Publishes Sixth FSMA Final Rule on Sanitary Transportation of Human and Animal Food

January 4, 2016

Agriculture, Food, and Health Issues to Watch for 2016

November 12, 2015

FDA Requests Public Comment on "Natural" Food Labels

September 10, 2015

**FDA Releases Initial FSMA Final Rules** 

July 1, 2015

Use and Abuse of 'Historical Experts' in Toxic Tort Cases

IADC Toxic Tort Committee Newsletter and Defense Counsel Journal

February 1, 2015

**A Primer on Product Recalls** 

International Association of Defense Counsel's Product Liability Committee Newsletter