

# Litigation and Dispute Resolution

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## Overview

Schiff Hardin litigators are fearless advocates for each of our clients. Whether it's a Fortune 500 client battling bet-the-company litigation or a start-up trying to resolve a contract dispute, we can help. We have represented clients in state and federal courts throughout the country.

With our clients, we take the long view. We work closely with them to identify and manage risk, allocate their litigation resources wisely, and resolve problems with an eye toward preventing future litigation.

We thrive on tough problems that have no easy solutions. We solve our clients' most difficult legal challenges by taking the time to fully understand how the dispute impacts operations and growth. Once we are clear on the client's goals, we create a strategy to get the job done. We work in lean teams, making communication straightforward and workflow efficient.

When a dispute needs to be resolved quickly to keep a project on track or to preserve an existing business relationship, we can create a mediation or arbitration strategy that works.

But when the situation calls for a seasoned trial team, our diverse group of more than 100 litigators has the experience and bench strength to win against the toughest opponents. We have tried cases to verdict in some of the most hostile jurisdictions in the country, where the odds have been stacked against us, and we have repeatedly prevailed.

## AWARDS & HONORS

- **Best Lawyers: Top-Listed "Litigation – Construction" Chicago (2021)**  
*U.S. News & World Report*
- **Best Lawyers: Top-Listed "Litigation – Construction" Illinois (2021)**  
*U.S. News & World Report*
- **Best Lawyers: Top-Listed "Litigation – Trusts and Estates" Chicago (2021)**  
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- **Best Lawyers: Top-Listed "Litigation – Trusts and Estates" Illinois (2021)**  
*U.S. News & World Report*
- **Law Firm of the Year: Litigation - Construction (2020)**  
*U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"*
- **BTI "Innovation Builder"**

We were singled out by corporate counsel as one of only 28 percent of law firms clients view as a BTI "Innovation Builder," which recognizes firms that bring change to the legal market through new technology, services, strategies, or structures.

- Schiff Named 2018 “Illinois Powerhouse” Firm

We were selected as a *Law360* “Illinois Powerhouse” for our significant and precedent-setting work over the last year.

- National Tier 1 Ranking (2018)

*U.S. News – Best Lawyers®* “Best Law Firms”

- Metropolitan Tier 1 Ranking (2017)

*U.S. News & World Report's U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms”

- Metropolitan Tier 1 Ranking (2015)

*U.S. News & World Report's U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms”

- Practice Group Earns Lead Ranking in 2014 Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business

- Metropolitan Tier 1 Ranking

*U.S. News & World Report's U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms” (2014)

- National Tier 2 Ranking

*U.S. News & World Report's U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms” (2014)

- Law Firm of the Year: Litigation - Construction

*U.S. News & World Report's U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms” (2011/2012)