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Eugene K. Hollander retired from his litigation practice in 2022, and now serves exclusively as a neutral mediator or arbitrator. Mr. Hollander's practice was concentrated in the representation of individuals in catastrophic personal injury cases and representing management and individuals in all phases of employment and commercial litigation. Mr. Hollander has experience litigating sexual abuse claims, workplace accident claims, automobile accident cases, professional negligence matters, breach of employment contracts, employee handbook issues, claims of sexual harassment, sexual discrimination, age discrimination claims, lawsuits brought under the Americans With Disabilities Act, and the Family and Medical Leave Act

Mr. Hollander received his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois in 1983, and his J.D. degree from IIT-Chicago Kent College of Law in 1986. He has been formally recognized as a distinguished alumni by IIT-Chicago Kent.

Mr. Hollander is admitted to the following bars: Illinois (1986); United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois (1986); United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan (2002); Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals (1991), and United States Supreme Court (1999).

Mr. Hollander's achievements include: a \$3.5 million settlement for a workplace injury, a \$2.95 million settlement with the Archdiocese of Chicago for a clergy sexual abuse claim, a \$2.2 million settlement for a construction accident, and a \$1.75 million settlement for a sexual assault case involving a special needs cooperative. Mr. Hollander's \$1.45 million jury verdict in the case of *Swiech v. Gottlieb Memorial Hospital*, No. 98 C 5749, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois set a record for compensatory damages. Mr. Hollander's judgment in the case of *Buffone v. Rosebud Restaurants, Inc.*, No. 05 C 5551 in the sum of \$561,000 was the second highest award for a pregnancy discrimination or FMLA case in the Northern District of Illinois.

Mr. Hollander is the author of Employment Evidence, © 2003, James Publishing Company and its subsequent 15 annual supplements. Mr. Hollander has had articles published in the Illinois Bar Journal – "State Law Tort Claims – A New Weapon in Employment Discrimination Cases?" (March, 2007), and "Sexual Harassment: No More "Welcomeness" Defense Against Minors," (September, 2007). He is a contributing author to The Top Ten Mistakes Physicians Make, © 2005, SEAK, Inc. He has lectured on "Writing the Employee Handbook in Illinois," (April, 2001), "Employment Discrimination Update in Illinois," (April, 2002), "Evidence In Trial Practice In Illinois," (May, 2003), "Keys to Effective Expert Witness Examination in Illinois," (January, 2004), "Litigating Your First Civil Trial In Illinois" (April, 2004), "Evidence: More Than Just the Rules," (on behalf of the Wisconsin State Bar Association, July, 2004), Preparing Your Employment Case Part II: Trial and Appeal (May, 2006); Legal Liability Prevention: 2006

(for physicians, August, 2006), and Illinois Civil Rights Update (ITLA, February, 2009); "School Law – Handling Mental Health Issues" (NBI, October, 2020).

Mr. Hollander has been quoted in the Wall Street Journal, Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun Times, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, and office.com for his opinions on a variety of legal matters.

Mr. Hollander is rated as a preeminent "AV" attorney by Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Hollander is an active member of the Illinois State Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association. Mr. Hollander has been recognized as an Illinois Super Lawyer from 2005 – 2022 by the organization, Law & Politics.

Mr. Hollander had completed the 40-hour mediation program by Lane & Caulkins. He is also a neutral for the American Arbitration Association.

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