



# JOHN S. MONICAL

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### PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation & Risk Management
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Broker-Dealer & Investment Advisor Disputes
  - Restrictive Covenants & Unfair Competition
  - Product Liability
- Financial & Regulatory
  - Investment Advisors
  - Employment Law

### RECOGNITION

- AV Preeminent™ and 5.0/5.0 Peer Review Rating™ (Martindale Hubbell)
- 2018 Leading Lawyer in Commercial Litigation and Product Liability (Law Bulletin Publishing)

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- United States District Courts: Northern District of Illinois, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana
- United States Courts of Appeals Seventh Circuit

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association Illinois Liaison to Committee on State Regulation of Securities
- Chicago Bar Association Securities Law Committee Chair, Vice Chair, Legislative Liaison
- Defense Research Institute Children's Products Specialized Litigation Group Chair, Co-Chair
- Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, Compliance and Legal Division

John S. Monical was the youngest partner ever to be elected Managing Partner of Lawrence Kamin, a position he has held since 2005. John is an experienced litigator and trial attorney focusing on commercial and business litigation. John represents financial institutions (banks, broker-dealers, and investment advisers) and financial advisors in customer litigation and arbitration, restrictive covenant and trade secret disputes, and in SEC, FINRA, and state regulatory investigations and enforcement proceedings. John also represents product manufacturers, distributors, installers, and vendors in contract, personal injury defense, wrongful death, and property damage claims.

John approaches every engagement with a laser focus on his client's business goals. Every case strategy is designed to efficiently drive that result. John has tailored creative strategies to reach settlement and avoid litigation. When the client's goal calls for a court battle, John has applied a tenacious attention to detail, has simplified the presentation of complex evidence, and has achieved an impressive award record.

Through his active membership in the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA), the Defense Research Institute (DRI), the American Bar Association (ABA), the CBA Securities Law Committee, and the Financial Planning Association (FPA), John stays current on legal developments and proactively contributes to the ongoing discussion of cutting-edge arguments for his clients.

John grew up with 11 sisters and five brothers-honing his skills arguing and mediating between his 16 siblings.