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John Hamill helps clients solve complex and challenging problems in a variety of subject areas throughout the field of complex commercial litigation. John is the Chicago Office Hiring Partner.

He is a highly regarded first chair trial and appellate lawyer who has represented clients in sophisticated business litigation in federal and state courts nationwide, as well as in many arbitrations. Lately his practice has focused on antitrust, sports, healthcare, telecommunications, and a wide range of business-to-business litigation, including class actions. He regularly counsels clients in a wide range of antitrust and unfair competition matters. He also has extensive experience representing clients in regulatory litigation at the highest levels, including telecommunications, energy, and healthcare. He has consistently been named a Leading Lawyer in Communications Law and has been recognized by Chambers USA for telecom work.

John has served on the board of governors of the Seventh Circuit Bar Association and the board of directors of the Chicago chapter of the Federal Bar Association. He has taught antitrust law seminars at various forums. He also has an active pro bono practice.

## EXPERIENCE

John J. Hamill has been lead counsel in a wide range of complex commercial litigation matters in numerous venues. Subject matters of his litigation experience have included antitrust, sports, health care, ERISA, managed care, class action, energy, telecommunications, tax, professional responsibility, unfair competition, business torts and others. These include cases tried to judgment, appealed, class actions, and many resolved favorably by settlement. He has also counseled clients in all of those areas as well as matters arising under the False Claims Act.

## EXAMPLES OF ENGAGEMENTS WHERE HE HAS LEAD LITIGATION TEAMS INCLUDE:

- Represented a leading health insurance organization in a federal antitrust action under the Sherman Act
- Representing a university in litigation concerning concussion injuries in sports
- Represented a professional sports team in an ownership controversy

## RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Telecom

## RELATED SECTORS

- Media, Sport and Entertainment
- Healthcare

- Represented a professional sports team in various business litigation matters
- Represented a prominent power utility in multiple class actions, appeals, and regulatory matters
- Represented a major energy company in a significant tax dispute
- Represented a hospital system in an antitrust dispute
- Represented a long distance carrier in RICO litigation
- Represented a prominent power utility in unfair competition class actions
- Represented a leading health insurance company in dozens of significant arbitrations involving payment disputes, indemnity issues
- Represented several leading health insurance companies in a complex arbitration with a transportation company
- Represented a prominent law firm in a professional liability action
- Represented a leading healthcare system in an antitrust action
- Represented a leading health insurance association in multiple RICO actions in multi-district litigation
- Represented a leading health insurance association in RICO and ERISA litigation
- Represented a leading benefit administrator in a Department of Labor investigation into ERISA issue
- Represented telecommunications carriers in regulatory, antitrust, and competition litigation in dozens of federal and state venues
- Represented a third party administrator in multiple class actions claiming underpayments in the workers compensation field
- Represented criminal defendants in multiple appellate actions, including direct appeals of murder convictions
- Represented prisoners in federal civil rights trials concerning conditions of confinement

## CREDENTIALS

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### Admissions

- Illinois

### Clerk Experience

- Adjunct clerk, the Honorable James Moran, US District Court, Northern District of Illinois 1994 – 1994

### Recognitions

- AV Peer Review Rated, Martindale-Hubbell's highest peer recognition for ethical standards and legal ability
- Law Bulletin Publishing Company, one of "40 Illinois Attorneys Under Forty to Watch," 2007
- *The Best Lawyers in America*- 2006-2016
- Communications Law
- *Chambers Global*
- Telecom, Broadcast Satellite, 2005 – 2008
- *Chambers USA*
- Telecom, Broadcast & Satellite, 2003 – 2006
- Leading Lawyers Network
- Commercial Litigation, 2004 – 2014
- Federal Regulatory Law, 2004 – 2014
- Telecommunications Law, 2004 – 2014

### Education

- J.D., Harvard Law School  
*cum laude*
- B.A., University of Notre Dame  
*summa cum laude*

## Courts

- Supreme Court of Illinois
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan
- United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin

## Memberships

- American Bar Association – Antitrust Section
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Federal Bar Association, Chicago Chapter – Former Member, Board of Directors
- Seventh Circuit Bar Association – Former Member, Board of Governors

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### **Ticketing lawsuits point to further turmoil in the US**

12 DEC 2017

Recent years have seen a number of lawsuits concerning clubs and ticketing policies

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- "Ticketing lawsuits point to further turmoil," *SportsBusiness Journal*, 2017
- Editor, "RICO" chapter in the 2016 (Fourth) edition of *Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts* by Thompson & Reuters
- "RICO: A Guide to Civil RICO Litigation in Federal Courts," Jenner & Block Practice series, 2014
- "Antitrust & PPACA," presented to the Chicago Bar Association Antitrust Committee, 2014

- "Health Care Antitrust Cases and Strategies for Lawyers," *Understanding Antitrust Issues in Healthcare (Inside the Minds)*: Aspatore 2010

## Events

- Panelist, "Sports & Entertainment Law Panel with DLA Piper," Harvard Law School, April 10, 2018
- "Antitrust and PPACA," Chicago Bar Association Antitrust Committee, January 2014

## NEWS

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### **DLA Piper lawyers and practices were highlighted in the 2017 directory of Who's Who Legal**

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DLA Piper is pleased to announce *Who's Who Legal* designated us as both the Real Estate Firm of the Year and the Franchise Firm of the Year for 2017.

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