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Michael Henrick is a trial lawyer with substantial experience handling cases involving personal injury, professional liability, wrongful death, and health care. He also represents medical professionals in disciplinary actions brought by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

Michael joined Hinshaw in 1974. In 2003, he was inducted as a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Professional Affiliations

- American College of Trial Lawyers
- American Society of Law and Medicine
- Defense Research Institute
- Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel
- Illinois Association of Hospital Attorneys
- Illinois State Bar Association
- International Association of Defense Counsel
- Jefferson American Inn of Court
- Lake County Bar Association
- State Bar of Wisconsin
- Trial Lawyers Club of Chicago
- Society of Trial Lawyers

Honors & Awards

- American Board of Trial Advocates, Advocate; Chicago Chapter
- Recognized by his peers as a "Leading Lawyer" in the areas of Medical Malpractice Defense Law and Personal Injury Defense Law: General
- Holds the AV® Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell, its highest rating for ethics and legal ability
- Recognized on the Super Lawyers list by *Illinois Super Lawyers* magazine, 2005 – 2020

Practices

Professional Liability

Industries

Health Care

Health Care Defense

Education

J.D., *with honors*, University of Illinois Chicago School of Law, 1974

B.S., Loyola University of Chicago, 1971

Admissions

Illinois

Wisconsin

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin



Representative Matters

Michael has tried over 60 jury trials to verdict, including:

- Obtained a defense verdict for a Lake County hospital and its named nursing personnel in the death of a twin at birth. The plaintiff asked the jury for \$7 million. The trial lasted three weeks.
- Obtained a defense verdict for an orthopedic surgeon accused of making improper sexual advances to a female patient.
- Obtained a defense verdict on behalf of an internist who was alleged to have failed to diagnose a myocardial infarction when treating a patient in his office, leading to his death two days later. The trial of that case lasted one and a half weeks.
- Obtained a defense verdict on behalf of a pain management physician after his patient had fallen from a procedure table in the process of an epidural. The co-defendant hospital was held liable on a \$750,000 award.
- Obtained a defense verdict for an orthopedic practice involving severance of the median nerve during carpal tunnel surgery.
- Significant experience in representing medical professionals in disciplinary actions brought by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

Presentations

Michael has spoken on a variety of legal topics before client and firm groups, including:

- "Jury Selection," in-house presentation, Medical Malpractice Specialty Group meeting, Chicago, Illinois
- "Examination and Cross-Examination of Expert Witnesses," Hinshaw's Trial Advocacy Program, Chicago, Illinois
- "Surgical and Anesthesia Claims," Illinois Providers Trust, Naperville, Illinois
- "Attorney Training & Orientation Program," Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, Chicago, Illinois
- "Examination and Treatment for Emergency Medical Conditions and Women in Labor Act and Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act," Ophthalmic Mutual Insurance Company, Oak Brook, Illinois
- "Risk Management for the Eye MD and Its Impact on the Patient," Ophthalmic Mutual Insurance Company, Oak Brook, Illinois
- "Communication Techniques for the Management of Adverse Outcomes," Illinois Provider Trust, Libertyville, Illinois
- "Successfully Maneuvering the Legal Rapids," Ophthalmic Mutual Insurance Company, Nationwide Audio conference
- "Legal Issues," Association of Operating Room Nurses of Southeastern Wisconsin
- "From Subpoena to Trial: How Will You Perform?" Condell Memorial Hospital Nursing Personnel
- "Loss of Society in Death Cases: Raising the Stakes," Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, *What It Means To Be A Lake County Litigant*, Waukegan, Illinois