

## DEAN N. PANOS, Partner

*Dean N. Panos is a litigator. Fortune 500 companies and other public and private companies seek his representation in a wide variety of complex commercial litigation in state and federal courts across the United States. He has served as lead trial counsel on numerous jury and bench trials and argued several cases before the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. Mr. Panos is nationally recognized in representing several of the largest food and beverage and consumer product manufacturers in class action and complex commercial litigation. He has also served as lead on several consumer and food product recalls. Mr. Panos has also served as trial counsel to a major airline in connection with two commercial aviation accidents.*

Mr. Panos has represented numerous large manufacturers and private equity firms in claims for breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, fraud and misrepresentation in connection with corporate mergers and acquisitions. Corporate Boards of Directors and Audit Committees have also sought his counsel on a variety of internal investigations involving financial and accounting fraud, mismanagement and employee wrongdoing. Mr. Panos frequently represents clients in criminal grand jury investigations, as well as corporations and executives in SEC investigations or claims. He has served as Acting Inspector General for governmental and other public agencies conducting investigations into vendor and employee fraud.

Mr. Panos is ranked in *Chambers* in the Nationwide, Food & Beverages: Regulatory & Litigation category. Clients praise him for being "extremely knowledgeable." Mr. Panos is AV Peer Review Rated, Martindale-Hubbell's highest peer recognition for ethical standards and legal ability. In 2017, he was recognized by *Law360* as an "MVP" in the food and beverage category. He is the Chair of the Products Liability and Mass Tort Defense Practice and a member of the Complex Commercial Litigation, Class Action, and Real Estate and Construction Litigation Practices. He is also a member of the firm's Policy Committee and the Real Estate Finance Litigation and Workout Task Force. Mr. Panos has tried to verdict several felony cases for pro bono clients.

### Awards

- *Law360*  
Food & Beverage MVP, 2017
- *Chambers USA*  
Food & Beverages: Regulatory & Litigation (Nationwide) - 2014-2020
- The BTI Consulting Group's 2013 "Client Service All-Star List"



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### PRACTICE GROUPS

California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA)

Class Action

Complex Commercial Litigation

Consumer Law

Food and Beverage

Litigation

Products Liability

Real Estate and Construction Litigation

Real Estate Litigation and Counseling

### EDUCATION

Valparaiso University School of Law, JD,  
1990; High Distinction, Senior Honors

Miami University at Oxford, BS, 1987; Dean's  
List

### ADMISSIONS

Illinois, 1990

Indiana (inactive), 1990

### COURT ADMISSIONS

US Supreme Court, 2006

US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2009

US Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 2005

US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit,  
1992

US District Court, Eastern District of  
Michigan, 2001

US District Court, Northern District of Illinois,  
1990

US District Court, Northern District of  
Indiana, 1990

## Community Involvement

- Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce  
Board of Directors
- Constitutional Rights Foundation

US District Court, Southern District of  
Indiana, 1990

## Publications

- Co-Author, "Recent Developments in Product Recalls," *Product Liability Litigation: Current Law, Strategies and Best Practices*, Practising Law Institute, 2009
- "Crimes and Misdemeanors," *Food Processing Magazine*, September 2002
- *Insurance Counselor*, Summer 2002
- "After the Recall," *Food Processing Magazine*, August 2002
- "A Model for Food Manufacturers in Crisis," *Food Processing Magazine*, Spring 2002
- "The Law Relating to Product Recalls," *Food Processing Magazine*, Winter 2002
- "The Players in Foodborne Illness Recalls," *Food Processing Magazine*, Fall 2001
- "A Course of Action for Food Processors Facing Recalls," *Food Processing Magazine*, Summer 2001
- "Making the Recall Decision," *Food Processing Magazine*, Spring 2001

## Speaking Engagements

- Panelist, "Recent Food Litigation Trends: What's Healthy, What's Natural, and Who Says So?" UCLA School of Law, April 11, 2014