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LEGAL EXPERIENCE: General business litigation, including the preparation and trial of all types of commercial cases; appellate practice, including preparation of briefs and presentation of arguments before the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, the Illinois Supreme Court and the Illinois Appellate Courts.

FAMILY: Married to Galen Jill Minetz with three children: Galen Lara, Jolen Anya and Arthur Noah

LEGAL RECOGNITIONS:

Illinois Super Lawyer selected by Thomson Reuters

Chicago Magazine "One of the Top Lawyers in Chicago" according to *The National Law Journal*

AV Preeminent Rating from Martindale-Hubbell

Leading Lawyer in Commercial Litigation and Civil Appellate Law

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LEGAL PUBLICATIONS:

The Quandary Facing a Deponent Who Erred at His or Her Deposition, Illinois State Bar Journal, April 2000.

Liability for Retaliatory Discharge and Your Employee's "Secret File", Council on Education in Management, Personnel Law Update, 1996.

Arbitration - An Alternative to Litigation, The Business Edge, a publication of Blackman, Kallick & Bartelstein, April 1, 1990.

Does An Illinois Entrepreneur Have A Duty To Provide A Reasonably Safe Means of Ingress and Egress To Its Business Premises Or Has This Well-Established Rule of Law Become a Mere Exception?, 30 DePaul L.Rev. 403 (Winter, 1981).

Editor, Court Handbook for Chicago Lawyers, Chicago Bar Association (1978).

Recent Illinois Supreme Court Decisions Concerning The Authority of Home Rule Units to Control Local Environmental Problems, 26 DePaul L.Rev. 306 (1977).

May A "Wrongdoer" Recover A Deficiency Judgment, Or Is Section 9-5-7 (1) A Debtor's Exclusive Remedy?, 6 U.C.C. L.J. 344 (1974).

Zoning Ordinances Which Restrict the Definition of a Family and Constitutional Considerations, 62 Ill.B.J. 38 (1973).

An Examination of the Rule Which Forbids a Trustee to Offset His Investment Losses Against His Investment Gains, 1972 U.Ill.L.F. 784.

UNDERGRADUATE
EDUCATION:

DePaul University, B.A.
Major in Social Science; Minor in Speech
President of Alpha Beta Gamma Fraternity

LAW SCHOOL:

University of Illinois, J.D., with honors
Fifth in class standing with grade point average of 4.583 on a 5.00 scale
Notes and Comments Editor, University of Illinois Law Forum
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PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITIES:

Vice-Chair, CBA Civil Practice Committee (2016-2017)
Speaker, CBA Commercial Finance and Transactions Committee on "Illinois and Federal Courts: Where Do You Want To Be?" (4/21/2016)
Speaker, CBA Civil Practice Committee on "Illinois and Federal Courts: Not Necessarily Parallel Planets" (3/8/2016)
Center for Conflict Resolution's 40-Hour Performance Based Mediation Skills Training (March 2006)
Speaker, "Rules Governing Depositions," Chicago Bar Association Illinois Continuing Legal Education Seminar (2000-2018)
Member, Chicago Bar Association Commercial Litigation Subcommittee for the Drafting of Jury Instructions for *Magnuson-Moss* cases (2004-05)
Member, Circuit Court Committee on Law Division Mediation Program (2004)
Member, Chicago Bar Association Operation of Circuit Court Committee (Chairperson 1993-94, Vice-Chair 1992-93)
Moderator and organizer of the Chicago Bar Association Illinois Continuing Legal Education Seminar entitled, "How To

Find Everything You Need In The Chicago Legal System"
(November 13-16, 1978)
Past Member, Legal Publications and Programs Committee, Young
Lawyers Section, Chicago Bar Association (Chairperson
1977-78)

**COMMUNITY
ACTIVITIES:**

Director, Volunteers of America (Illinois), 2018
Founder, Patriot Society, University Club of Chicago, 2015
Gordon Tech High School Hall of Fame
King Dad Court, University of Illinois 2004
Referee, American Youth Soccer Organization (20 years)
Varsity Coach, Lincoln Park High School Girls Soccer Team
(2000-2002) (City Champions in 2002)
Lector and commentator at St. Clement's Parish (1973-present)
Volunteer, Misericordia Candy Days (many years)
Former Director, Chicago Attack Soccer Club
Director, Seminary Townhouse Association (2 terms)
Basketball coach at St. Clement's (1973-76)

**MILITARY
SERVICE:**

June 1968, to January 1970, Specialist 5, assigned to duty as a
Chaplain's Assistant, 1st Infantry Division, Vietnam
Awards: Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct
Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign Medal

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LIST OF APPEALS

PUBLISHED OPINIONS

1. Yocco v. Barris, 16 Ill. App. 3d 113, 305 N.E.2d 584 (1st Dist. 1973)
2. Harris v. Union Stock Yard & Transit Co. of Chicago, 29 Ill. App. 3d 1072, 331 N.E.2d 182 (1st Dist. 1975)
3. Mertes v. Lincoln Park Federal Sav. and Loan Ass'n of Chicago, 34 Ill. App. 3d 557, 340 N.E.2d 25 (1st Dist. 1975)
4. Olshock v. Village of Skokie, 411 F.Supp. 257 (N.D.Ill. 1976), aff'd, 541 F.2d 1254 (7th Cir. 1976)
5. Metropolitan Sanitary Dist. of Greater Chicago v. City of Des Plaines, 63 Ill. 2d 256, 347 N.E.2d 716 (1st Dist. 1976)
6. City of Des Plaines v. Chicago & N.W. Ry. Co., 65 Ill. 2d 1, 2 Ill. Dec. 266, 357 N.E.2d 433 (1st Dist. 1976)
7. Parkway Bank & Trust Co. v. City of Darien, 43 Ill. App. 3d 400, 2 Ill. Dec. 234, 357 N.E.2d 211 (2d Dist. 1976)
8. Doherty v. City of Des Plaines, 43 Ill. App. 3d 642, 2 Ill. Dec. 163, 357 N.E.2d 140 (1st Dist. 1976)
9. City of Des Plaines v. LaSalle Nat. Bank of Chicago, 44 Ill. App. 3d 815, 3 Ill. Dec. 513, 358 N.E.2d 1198 (1st Dist. 1976)
10. City of Des Plaines v. Metropolitan Sanitary Dist. of Greater Chicago, Environmental Protection Agency, 552 F.2d 736 (7th Cir. 1977)
11. Burns v. Howell Tractor & Equipment Co., 45 Ill. App. 3d 838, 4 Ill. Dec. 441, 360 N.E.2d 377 (1st Dist. 1977)
12. In re Petition of North Maine Fire Protection Dist., 49 Ill. App. 3d 730, 7 Ill. Dec. 605, 364 N.E.2d 896 (1st Dist. 1977)
13. Jeschke v. Ruhlow, 59 Ill. App. 3d 125, 17 Ill. Dec. 122, 376 N.E.2d 15 (1st Dist. 1978)
14. City of Des Plaines v. Metropolitan Sanitary Dist. of Greater Chicago, 60 Ill. App. 3d 995, 17 Ill. Dec. 924, 377 N.E.2d 114 (1st Dist. 1978)

15. Ambassador Insurance Co. v. Wilson, 65 Ill. App. 3d 418, 22 Ill. Dec. 285, 382 N.E.2d 605 (1st Dist. 1978)
16. Bearce v. U. S., 614 F.2d 556 (7th Cir. 1980)
17. Strauch v. U. S., 637 F.2d 477 (7th Cir. 1980)
18. Marks v. L.C.J. Const. Co., Minardi, 89 Ill. App. 3d 418, 44 Ill. Dec. 661, 411 N.E.2d 1027 (1st Dist. 1980)
19. People ex rel. Fahner v. Carriage Way West, Inc., Sportsman's Country Club, 88 Ill. App. 3d 297, 43 Ill. Dec. 384, 410 N.E.2d 384 (1st Dist. 1980), rev'd, 88 Ill. 2d 300, 58 Ill. Dec. 754, 430 N.E.2d 1005 (1981)
20. Hooper v. Mizyad, 98 Ill. App. 3d 768, 54 Ill. Dec. 101, 424 N.E.2d 851 (1st Dist. 1981)
21. Shah v. Chicago Title and Trust Co., Falcon Development, 102 Ill. App. 3d 787, 58 Ill. Dec. 400, 430 N.E.2d 342 (1st Dist. 1981)
22. Gonzalez v. Chicago Steel Rule Die & Fabricators Co., 106 Ill. App. 3d 848, 62 Ill. Dec. 577, 436 N.E.2d 603 (1st Dist. 1982)
23. Ford City Bank & Trust Co. v. Ford City Bank & Trust Co., Pankow, 110 Ill. App. 3d 123, 65 Ill. Dec. 678, 441 N.E.2d 1192 (1st Dist. 1982)
24. Robinson v. Industrial Com'n., 96 Ill. 2d 87, 70 Ill. Dec. 232, 449 N.E.2d 106 (1983)
25. Shah v. Chicago Title & Trust Co., Falcon Development, 119 Ill. App. 3d 658, 75 Ill. Dec. 357, 457 N.E.2d 147 (1st Dist. 1983) (Opinion #2)
26. Woolridge v. National R.R. Passenger Corp., 800 F.2d 647 (7th Cir. 1986)
27. Porter v. Klein Const. Co., 162 Ill. App. 3d 1, 113 Ill. Dec. 836, 515 N.E.2d 821 (1st Dist. 1987)
28. Shodeen v. Chicago Title and Trust Co., 162 Ill. App. 3d 667, 114 Ill. Dec. 68, 515 N.E.2d 1339 (2d Dist. 1987)
29. H & M Driver Leasing Services, Unlimited, Inc. v. Champion Int'l Corp., 181 Ill. App. 3d 28, 129 Ill. Dec. 808, 536 N.E.2d 858 (1st Dist. 1989)
30. Community Convalescent Center of Naperville, Inc. v. First Interstate Mortg. Co. of Illinois, 181 Ill. App. 3d 996, 130 Ill. Dec. 833, 537 N.E.2d 1162 (2d Dist. 1989)
31. Chicago Steel Rule Die & Fabricators Co. v. Malan Const. Co., 200 Ill. App. 3d 701, 146 Ill. Dec. 378, 558 N.E.2d 341 (1st Dist. 1990)

32. Derby Meadows Util. v. Inter-Continental, Camelot Homes, 202 Ill. App. 3d 345, 147 Ill. Dec. 646, 559 N.E.2d 986 (1st Dist. 1990) (Opinion #1)
33. Price v. Highland Comm. Bank, 932 F.2d 601 (7th Cir. 1991)
34. Groenings v. City of St. Charles, 215 Ill. App. 3d 295, 158 Ill. Dec. 923, 574 N.E.2d 1316 (2d Dist. 1991) (Opinion #1)
35. Petty v. First Nat. Bank of Geneva, Groenings, 225 Ill. App. 3d 539, 167 Ill. Dec. 771, 588 N.E.2d 412 (2d Dist. 1992) (Opinion #2)
36. Derby Meadows Utility Co., Inc. v. Village of Orland Park, Camelot Homes, 226 Ill. App. 3d 195, 168 Ill. Dec. 300, 589 N.E.2d 700 (1st Dist. 1992) (Opinion #2)
37. In re Estate of Hall, The Counts Family, 234 Ill. App. 3d 780, 176 Ill. Dec. 83, 601 N.E.2d 781 (1st Dist. 1992)
38. Spencer v. Riordan, 240 Ill. App. 3d 938, 181 Ill. Dec. 359, 608 N.E.2d 432 (1st Dist. 1992)
39. Stein v. Scott, guardian ad litem, 252 Ill. App. 3d 611, 192 Ill. Dec. 558, 625 N.E.2d 713 (1st Dist. 1993)
40. Pyshos v. Heart-Land Development Co., 258 Ill. App. 3d 618, 196 Ill. Dec. 889, 630 N.E.2d 1054 (1st Dist. 1994)
41. Argianas v. Chestler, 259 Ill. App. 3d 926, 197 Ill. Dec. 900, 631 N.E.2d 1359 (1st Dist. 1994)
42. McCoy v. MTI Vacations, Inc., 272 Ill. App. 3d 494, 208 Ill. Dec. 911, 650 N.E.2d 605 (1st Dist. 1995)
43. Corluka v. Bridgford Foods of Illinois, Inc., 284 Ill. App. 3d 190, 219 Ill. Dec. 647, 671 N.E.2d 814 (1st Dist. 1996)
44. Cengr v. Fusibond Piping Systems, Inc., 135 F.3d 445 (7th Cir. 1998)
45. Village of Maywood Bd. of Fire and Police Comm's v. Dept. of Human Rights of the State of Illinois, 296 Ill.App.3d 570, 231 Ill. Dec. 100, 695 N.E.2d 873 (1st Dist. 1998)
46. In re Estate of Constantine Pollack and Weis, 305 Ill. App. 3d 256, 238 Ill. Dec. 529, 711 N.E.2d 1190 (1st Dist. 1999)
47. Schaffner v. 514 West Grant Place Condo Ass'n, 324 Ill.App.3d 1033, 258 Ill. Dec. 580, 756 N.E.2d 854 (1st Dist. 2001)

48. Checkers Eight Ltd. Partnership v. Hawkins, 241 F.3d 558 (7th Cir. 2001)
49. Advanced Imaging Center v. Cassidy, 335 Ill. App. 3d 746, 269 Ill. Dec. 867, 781 N.E.2d 664 (2d Dist. 2002). Petition for Leave to Appeal granted by Illinois Supreme Court on April 2, 2004 (appeal dismissed as moot after argument)
50. Bruzas v. Richardson, 408 Ill.App.3d 98, 945 N.E.2d 1208 (1st Dist. 2011)
51. Sewickley, LLC v. Chicago Title Land Trust Company, et al., 2012 Il.App. (1st) 112977
52. Narkiewicz-Laine v. Doyle et al., 930 F.3d 897 (7th Cir. 2019)

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54. Minetz v. Califano, 79-1795, 7th Cir., December 11, 1979
55. Gionotti v. Dacanay, 79-2432, 1st Dist., January 7, 1981
56. Rieser v. U.S.A., 81-2936, 7th Cir., March 28, 1983
57. Brevet-Burkhardt v. Freeman Decorating Co., 1-87-1842, 1st Dist., August 4, 1988
58. Realtax Developers, Ltd. v. Koos, 3-89-0409, 3d Dist., October 10, 1990
59. Metropolitan Warehouse and Development Corp. v. Weingarten, 1-90-2372, 1st Dist., June 28, 1991
60. Hetman v. Nardi, 1-89-0391, 1st Dist., September 23, 1991
61. Wilson v. Al Piemonte Ford, Inc., 81-921, 1st Dist., March 3, 1992
62. Luna v. Shumak, 1-93-1079, 1st Dist., April 8, 1994
63. Illinois Citizens Animal Welfare League v. G.R.C. Corporation, 1-94-644, May 20, 1994
64. Republic Savings Bank v. Klacy, Inc., American National Bank of Lansing, 1-92-1562, 1st Dist., June 30, 1994
65. Mishail v. Midwesco, Inc., 1-94-2573, 1st Dist., Dec. 26, 1995
66. Sullivan v. CIL, Inc., 1-95-1025, 1st Dist., Feb. 20, 1996
67. Osicka v. Sears, Roebuck and Co., 1-96-0966, 1st Dist. April 18, 1997

68. Branch v. Bd. of Police & Fire Comm's of the Village of Maywood and its Comm'r, 1-97-0764, 1st Dist., Jan. 23, 1998
69. Corluka v. Bridgford Foods of Illinois, 1-99-214. 1st Dist., February 5, 1998
70. Sullivan v. Case Foundation Co., 1-97-1216, 1st Dist., April 16, 1998
71. Dickens v. Rausch Constr. Co., Inc., 1-97-0306, 1st Dist., May 1, 1998
72. The Wellness Group, Inc. v. Harris Bank/Glencoe-Northbrook, 1-98-4623 and 1-98-4848 Consolidated, 1st Dist., February 16, 2000
73. Broadview Missionary Baptist Church v. Village of Broadview, 1-98-3833, 1st Dist., March 31, 2000
74. Village of Bridgeview Bd. of Fire and Police Comm'rs v. Dep't of Human Rights of the State of Illinois, 1-98-1536, 1st Dist., April 12, 2000
75. McGann v. Loyola Univ Med. Ctr., 1-99-2451, 1st Dist., June 1, 2000
76. Corluka v. Bridgford Foods of Illinois, 1-99-959, 1st Dist., September 5, 2000
77. Bachner v. Behan, 1-99-2650, 1st Dist., February 28, 2001
78. Kleen Ventures, Inc. v. Kilgore, 1-01-3052, November 27, 2002
79. Media Comm., Inc. v. Multimedia Signup, Inc., 1-02-0632, October 31, 2003
80. Podolsky Northstar Realty Partners, L.L.C. v. Lakeside Bank t/u/t 10-1919 and Steven P. Gianakas, 1-02-1374, October 17, 2003
81. Federal Insurance Co. v. Fox, 01-03-3191, December 17, 2004
82. Advanced Imaging Center v. Cassidy, 2-04-0459, 2d Dist., June 14, 2005 (Petition for Leave to Appeal denied)
83. Resource Bank, N.A. v. LaSalle Bank, Wolff, 2-05-0697 and 2-05-0908, 2d Dist., February 9, 2007
84. Piwonski v. McGrath Lexus of Chicago, 05-1410, 1st Dist.
85. McCoy v. Orland Park Nissan, Inc., 05-2821, 1st Dist.
86. Resource Bank, N.A. v. LaSalle Bank, Wolff, 2-06-1161 and 2-06-1257, 2d Dist.
87. Stepnicka v. Grant Park 2, LLC, 09-3544, 1st Dist. (Appeal #1)

88. Walk v. Dressel and Kellerman, 2010 WL 7154716 (1st Dist.)
89. Herrington, Inc. and Shodeen Management Company v. City of Geneva, et al., 2012 IL App (2d) 120131-U
90. Brobst v. Johnson Realty Group, Ltd, et al., 2012 Ill.App. (1st) 110991-U
91. Stepnicka, et al. v. Grant Park 2, LLC, et al., 2013 Ill.App. (1st) 113229-U (Appeal #2)
92. Whelehan v. City of Chicago, et al., 2013 Ill.App. (1st) 122680-U
93. Sundararaj v. Kot, 2013 Ill.App. (1st) 130973-U.
94. The Herrington, Inc. and Shodeen Management Company v. Travelers Property Casualty Company of America (2nd) 2014 IL App (2d) 130880-U (Appeal #2)
95. Azar Saul v. FY Developments LLC, 2016 IL App (1st) 151932-U, 1st Dist.
96. Rezai et al. v. Porada et al., 2018 IL App (1st) 180457-U
97. Minetz v. Board of Education of Paxton-Buckley-Loda Community Unit School District No. 10, Ford, Champaign, Iroquois, Livingston and Vermillion Counties, Illinois, 2019 IL App (4th) 190771-U

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98. O'Hare Office Center Ltd. v. Fascination Int'l, Inc., 80-2873, 1st Dist.
99. Park National Bank of Chicago v. LaSalle Nat'l Bank, as trustee, 87-591, 1st Dist.
100. Tsolinas v. Chicago Title Ins. Co. and Chicago Title & Trust Co., 89-2561, 1st Dist.
101. PKG Express v. American National Bank and Trust Co., 91-2117, 7th Cir.
102. Rhee v. Witco Corp., 91-2219, 1st Dist.
103. Gouwens v. Madsen Kneppers & Assoc., Carahen, 2-91-1208, 2d Dist.
104. Southern Ill. Machinery Co. v. Republic-Lagun, 5-92-0401, 5th Dist.
105. McNaney v. ITT, 97-367, 1st Dist.
106. Sho-Deen, Inc. v. City of Naperville, 2-07-0478, 2d Dist.
107. Redmond v. Michael Roberts Enterprises, 1-08-0287, 1st Dist.

REPRESENTATIVE TRIAL COURT MATTERS

1. On February 11, 2020, Cook County Circuit Judge Franklin Valderrama entered summary judgment in favor of my clients, a condominium association and some unit owners. The Court rejected the Plaintiff's promissory estoppel claim that my clients were required to assist the Plaintiff in his development of his adjoining property.

2. Successfully defended a landlord against common law claims and a claim under the Visual Artists Rights Act ("VARA") by an artist who was wrongfully evicted from his studio. On October 3, 2017, the jury awarded the Plaintiff \$120,000 on his \$5,000,000 VARA claim, and \$300,000 on his \$11,000,000 common law claims. Judge Kapala presided over this trial in the Federal Court in Rockford. The Seventh Circuit affirmed the judgment. The United States Supreme Court denied the Plaintiff's Petition for Certiorari.

3. After a bench trial in Cook County, Judge Donnelly on July 20, 2017, entered judgment in favor of my clients, who were two doctors who sued another doctor for breach of their 2011 Settlement Agreement.

4. Following a bitter family feud trial, Judge Luis A. Berrones on November 1, 2013, issued a forty-one (41) page Memorandum Order and Judgment holding that my client was not guilty of unduly influencing his father to amend his trust.

5. I represented condominium purchasers who signed a purchase contract in 2006 to buy a south loop high rise condominium unit in 2008 that was not ready until 2010. Following a bench trial on force majeure delays, Judge Dennis Burke entered judgment in my clients' favor in 2011, thereby allowing them to recover back their earnest money deposit. The decision was affirmed by the Appellate Court.

6. On May 12, 2010, Judge LeRoy K. Martin of the Circuit Court of Cook County entered judgment in my clients' favor on their counterclaim dissolving a deadlocked LLC.

7. On September 24, 2008, the jury entered a verdict for my clients for \$1,277,121.02. They sued their former client for interest on their attorneys' fees. The attorneys worked for their client from 1990 to 2000 on her divorce case based on her oral promise to pay them 9% interest on the legal fees. Following a \$20,000,000 divorce settlement, she paid the fees but not the interest.

8. I represented a group of ten subcontractors as co-trial counsel with Bruce Logan of Ash, Anos, Freedman & Logan, LLC, and on June 1, 2007, we obtained a judgment for \$6,948,195.31 from Judge Nancy Arnold. The award was against a lender who lured our clients back to home construction jobs. The award included over \$1 million in punitive damages.

9. I represented the ship builder in a five week bench trial in Geneva, Illinois, in a dispute over the renovation of the Hollywood Casino boat in Aurora, Illinois.

10. On August 2, 2007, Judge Malak approved the final settlement agreement which resolved a will contest I filed on behalf of two siblings against two other siblings. The matter

was so contentious that an armed, undercover police officer was present at the mediation. The settlement documents took over six months to complete.

11. In 2007, I successfully defended the Animal Welfare League against a claim that a cat under their care died of an upper respiratory infection by proving that the cat died of cancer.

12. I represented the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in their claims for defective work on the front of the Elks Monument at 2750 Lakeview Avenue in Chicago. The case settled during mediation.

13. I obtained a "bad faith" finding from Judge Agran for a contractor in a declaratory judgment action filed by his insurance carrier.

14. I successfully defended McGrath Lexus in a jury trial in December, 2004 based on a fraud claim by an unhappy customer.

15. I tried a sex harassment/hostile environment case on behalf of the plaintiff before Judge Darrah in 2003. He ruled in favor of my client and awarded substantial damages.

16. I represented a man who was sued as a result of alleged sexual molestation which allegedly occurred when his daughter's sixth grade girlfriend slept overnight at his home ten years earlier. The jury ruled in the plaintiff's favor but entered a judgment for only \$40,000 (8% of the plaintiff's claim).

17. Judge Nowicki ruled in my client's favor after a trial on the merits and allowed my client to keep the 15-year lease option even though the option was exercised one month late. The appellate court affirmed the ruling.

18. I obtained a preliminary injunction from Judge Duncan in DuPage County in favor of my client who had been using the name "Sopranos" for a Chicago restaurant against the defendant who had been using the name "Soprano's" for a Wood Dale restaurant. The case then settled.

19. I successfully defended the plaintiff's former employee and his new employer in a preliminary injunction hearing before Judge Reid. I also defeated an attempt to enforce a restrictive covenant against a former employee in a case before Judge Al Green. In addition, I previously persuaded Judge Durkin to enforce my client's covenant against its former employee.

20. I successfully represented an electronic sign manufacturer in a claim for lost profits by the owner of the sign which was placed on the outside wall of the Medinah Temple. The case was tried before Judge Conlon. A second suit was then filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County. The case was dismissed based on *res judicata*. This decision was affirmed on appeal.

21. I represented the Broadview Missionary Baptist Church in a zoning case before Judge Getty. After trial, he ruled in my client's favor and entered an order allowing it to build a new church in an industrial area. The appellate court affirmed the trial court.

22. I obtained recoveries for one of my charitable clients pursuant to the cy pres doctrine in two separate cases, one in Cook County and one in Winnebago County.

23. I defended a client in a jury trial in Effingham, Illinois, after my client was sued for delivering a precision machine wet, late and rust covered.

24. I represented one of the trustees of a pension plan who was the subject of an ERISA suit. After trial, Judge Gettleman ruled in my client's favor against the plaintiff and in the plaintiff's favor against the co-defendant.

25. I successfully represented a developer in a dispute involving three developers, a municipality, and a utility. The developer wanted to offer Chicago water in his subdivision located west of Wolf Road in Orland Park, Illinois. The trial court and the appellate court accepted our position. The client named a street in my honor in the subdivision.

26. I obtained an injunction against mule diving at Kiddieland Park. I represented a humane society. My family enjoyed the media coverage. I enjoyed the novelty of the issues and the B.B.C. interview.

27. I represented a publisher in a copyright action against another publisher who innocently published a plagiarized copy of my client's book. This case was interesting because my client was previously sued in another case based on the conduct of the same plagiarist and he was required to make a substantial settlement payment. In our case, which was the second plagiarism, the defendant filed a counterclaim based on another plagiarism by the same author. The three plagiarisms crated an interesting scenario.

28. I successfully represented an employee wrongfully terminated for calling his boss a "suckwad" after a bifurcated trial before Judge (now Justice) Cahill.

29. I successfully defended a developer sued in the United States District Court for both a preliminary injunction and specific performance by a disgruntled hamburger franchisor (not McDonald's). The suit was commenced when the franchisor learned that my client was selling his land to a competitor.

30. I successfully settled a civil rights suit in the United States District Court against the City of Chicago which wrongfully revoked an advertising sign permit and stopped construction of the sign. The sign is the first one seen by northbound travelers on the Kennedy Expressway north of the loop.

31. I successfully defended a condominium developer in a class action suit, including two appeals, based on the plaintiff's theory that a conveyance with "extended coverage" title insurance over a wraparound mortgage was a breach of a sale contract which required the conveyance of good and marketable title.

32. I represented a guarantor in a mortgage foreclosure appeal and successfully overturned a sheriff's sale of the real estate based on both the inequity of the sale price and fiduciary principles.

33. I represented a developer in an emergency preliminary injunction hearing in Kane County and obtained a mandatory injunction requiring the owner of the real estate to convey title to residences built and already sold to third-parties by our client.