

Seven SmithAmundsen Attorneys Included in Best Lawyers in America© 2017

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We are proud to congratulate Glen Amundsen, Michael Resis, Jeffrey Risch, Eric Samore, John Tanselle, Michael Tone, and Richard Valentino on being named to *Best Lawyers in America*© 2017. Selection to this list is achieved exclusively by peer nomination.

Glen Amundsen, the firm's chairman and CEO, was selected for his work in commercial litigation. Glen is an exceptional trial lawyer, having been lead counsel in well over 100 cases taken to verdict during his career. An incomparable leader, mentor and advisor, Glen is frequently the lead trial counsel for the firm's most complex and highest profile matters.

Michael Resis, a founding partner of SmithAmundsen and chair of the firm's appellate group, Michael was recognized by his peers for his abilities in appellate law. He has been included on the "Best Lawyers" list since 2009. He has practiced law for more than 30 years and has handled more than 500 appeals on behalf of government entities, businesses, and professional organizations as amicus curiae before the Illinois Supreme Court and the Illinois Appellate Court.

Jeffrey Risch, chair of the firm's labor and employment group, was selected for his work in employment law. Jeff has extensive experience in all aspects of employment law and he works with clients to provide them with the most efficient avenue to effectively manage. He also serves as chair of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce's Employment Law & Litigation Committee and Chapter Labor Counsel for the Associated Builders & Contractors of Illinois. Jeff frequently speaks and publishes on a multitude of labor and employment topics.

Eric Samore was selected by his peers for his services in representing defendants in mass tort litigation/class actions. His mission is to prevent the class action procedure from abuse and misuse. He has defended more than 100 class actions in more than fifteen different trial jurisdictions and in six different circuit courts of appeal. He defends companies in class actions based on consumer fraud, product defect, data privacy, TCPA and related statutes. He has been included on the "Best Lawyers" list for six consecutive years. Eric is a founding partner of SmithAmundsen.

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John Tanselle, partner in our Indianapolis office, was selected for his work in the fields of banking and finance law as well as financial services regulation law. John counsels the management of financial institutions and their boards of directors with respect to general corporate matters, corporate governance issues, securities law compliance, regulatory compliance, regulatory enforcement situations and executive compensation issues.

Michael Tone, partner in our Chicago office, was recognized for his work in professional malpractice law. Mike's career spans over 35 years and in that time he has defended attorneys, accountants, engineers, architects, real estate agents, insurance agents, and directors and officers in professional liability matters nationally. His experience includes defending officers and directors of hedge funds, insurance companies, financial institutions and private corporations in professional liability matters as well as commercial disputes.

Richard Valentino was selected based on his work in the field of insurance law. Rich handles complex coverage litigation in state and federal courts in and outside of the Chicago area. He has served as a member of the Illinois State Bar Association and Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel (IDC) Insurance Law committees and has authored insurance-related articles for the International Risk Management Institute, IDC Quarterly and Insurance Insight Magazine.

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