

ATTORNEY BIOGRAPHY

Martin Lucas Partner

"It is important to understand that the world can turn upside down for my clients who have suffered a serious injury. We firmly believe in this office that our efforts in the civil justice system can bring about a renewed sense of security for our clients."

Marty Lucas brings to the firm an extensive knowledge and expertise with tried cases to verdict in jurisdictions throughout the state. He has tried and argued cases in state court throughout the northern half of Illinois, the federal trial and appellate courts, the Illinois Human Rights Commission, and the Cook County Human Rights Commission. As a hands-on trial lawyer since 1991, Marty is personally engaged in all of his litigation matters and takes pride in recognizing the great privilege and responsibility he has to represent victims of negligence.

Marty has a comprehensive command and proficiency in the workup of his cases in order to achieve early resolution. These trials have included medical malpractice, construction negligence, automobile collisions, sexual harassment, discrimination claims, and other personal injury matters. He has obtained substantial awards for his clients in a range of personal injury cases, including multi-million dollar recoveries in medical malpractice and construction negligence cases.

Marty graduated from IIT/Chicago Kent College of Law in Chicago. While there, he earned the prestigious honor of "American Jurisprudence Award for Torts".

He has been selected as an "Illinois Super Lawyer" and achieved an AV-Preeminent rating with Martindale-Hubbell.

Professional Activities/ Associations:

Illinois Trial Lawyers Association

Illinois State Bar Association

Listed as an Illinois "Super Lawyer"

Successful Verdicts and Settlements:

- \$6,000,000 Medical negligence settlement at the end of a jury trial for a 6 month old boy who sustained brain damage after an endotracheal tube became dislodged.

- \$5,550,000 plus waiver of workers' compensation liens of approximately \$1,000,000.00 construction negligence case settlement for three ironworkers injured when a steel caisson collapsed while they were tying reinforced steel bars.
- \$5,030,000 plus waiver of workers' compensation lien of approximately \$725,000 construction negligence case settlement for a union ironworker whose dominant hand was crushed by a crane outrigger that was retracted without warning.
- Mr. Lucas was asked to appear as additional counsel in a medical negligence/birth injury case where it was alleged that a baby's cerebral palsy was caused by the failure to perform a timely cesarean delivery. He assisted the other firm in preparing the case for trial and helped obtain a \$5,000,000 settlement at the time of trial. The case was strongly contested with approximately twenty expert witnesses hired by the parties.
- \$3,850,000 and waiver of the worker's compensation lien for ironworker superintendent who slipped and fell 12-15 feet from a beam while taking measurements for decking placement. The ironworker fractured both ankles and his wrist
- \$2,600,000 settlement for a laborer who was struck by a concrete panel that was not secured during interior demolition work. The general contractor and the architect/engineer contributed to the settlement.
- \$1,850,000 construction/automobile case settlement for a laborer who was struck by a Commonwealth Edison bucket truck while helping to relocate an old train depot.

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