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Chris is dedicated to supporting his clients through each phase of litigation.

Practices

Complex Litigation
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Education

Chicago-Kent College of Law, JD, 2018
DePaul University, BA, 2012

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Chris focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation. He has experience working across a wide range of subject matters, including insurance and reinsurance coverage, contract disputes, anti-trust claims, and class actions. He manages matters from early case assessment through dispositive motions and hearings, and is experienced with depositions, discovery strategy, mediations, and motion practice in state and federal courts.

Before returning to ArentFox Schiff, Chris served as a law clerk to federal judges at both the appellate and district court levels. He prepared judges for oral arguments, helped manage their dockets, conducted legal research, and drafted bench memoranda, orders, and opinions across civil, criminal, and administrative matters—experience that informs his pragmatic approach to litigation.

Publications

Chris' alerts include:

— "USA - Illinois: Trends & Developments," *Chambers Global Practice Guides: Insurance & Reinsurance 2026*

— "Cannabis Legislation in Key States: Montana Voters Approve Legalizing Marijuana for Recreational Use." , (January 13, 2021)

— "Two Ways Technology Has Changed How Lawyers Practice ." (Oct 29, 2019)

Professional Activities

Pro Bono Work

Chris has been committed to making pro bono service a part of practice. He has worked with a number of legal services organizations to assist indigent clients, including the ACLU of Illinois, Chicago Volunteer Legal Services, the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law, and the National Immigrant Justice Center.

Bar Admissions

Illinois

Court Admissions

US District Court, Northern District of Illinois
US District Court, Western District of Michigan