

# Jeffrey W. Gordon

## Associate

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When asked what he likes most about being a lawyer, Jeff Gordon answered, “Continuing to learn because industries evolve. There is always something to identify, learn, and master, and that preparation allows me to provide the best service I can.” Jeff has always wanted to be a trial lawyer and is driven to work with and fight tirelessly for his clients.



Jeff’s practice at RSHC focuses primarily on product liability and mass tort litigation as well as commercial litigation and insurance litigation. His legal experience is amplified by a rewarding clerkship and two judicial externships which enabled him to work alongside 12 superior court justices, an appellate court judge, and a circuit court judge assisting them in all phases of criminal and civil litigation. Jeff loves the law and litigation—brief writing, advocating in court, taking and defending depositions, and conducting research. His hard work, creative solutions, and thorough approaches are effective and straightforward: know your audience—not one size fits all, take more time to build a foundation, communicate and be persuasive to make a subject more relatable, don’t snatch defeat from the jaws of victory, and when an argument is won, stop talking—less is more.

Having lived on both coasts and in the Midwest, Jeff has an appreciation for both big city and smaller historic community life. Jeff is a basketball enthusiast and loves the game. He enjoys hiking, cooking, and traveling the world.

## EXPERIENCE

### Clerkships

Judicial Law Clerk — Superior Court of Massachusetts (2017-2018)

Judicial Extern — Hon. Michael B. Hyman, Illinois Appellate Court (2016)

Judicial Extern — Hon. Franklin U. Valderrama, Circuit Court of Cook County (2016)

### Representative Engagements

- Deposed all members of an organization in commercial dispute involving manufacturing equipment which changed client’s strategy.
- Obtained summary judgment in premises liability dispute for property owner by establishing that it owed plaintiff no duty of care.

## CREDENTIALS

### Education

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, J.D., 2017, Editor-in-Chief, *Loyola Consumer Law Review*

CALI Award, Administrative Law, Federal Courts, Advance Writing for Legal Practice  
Dean's List

University of California Davis, B.S., Political Science, History Minor, 2012

### Bar Admissions

Massachusetts

U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

U.S. District Court of Massachusetts

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

"Autonomous Vehicles: Current Legal Landscape and Challenges on the Horizon," (co-author)  
*RSHC Insight* (August 14, 2020)

"Connected Vehicles Bring Promise of Mobility — and Jobs — to Two Million People With Disabilities," (co-author) *RSHC Insight* (August 14, 2020)

"Public Comments Close on Proposed FAA Rule Governing Remote ID of Unmanned Aerial System," (co-author) *RSHC Insight* (August 14, 2020)

"The Public and Private Sectors Are Ready to Unleash Unmanned Maritime Vehicles," (co-author) *RSHC Insight* (August 14, 2020)

"Illinois Appellate Court Interprets the Plaintiff's Burden when Admitting Testimony from Causation Experts in Toxic Tort Litigation," (author) American Bar Association, Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section, *Toxic Torts and Environmental Law Newsletter* (Spring 2020)

"Illinois Supreme Court Clarifies Legal Standard in Asbestos Civil Conspiracy Litigation," (author) *Illinois State Bar Association's Bench & Bar Section Council Newsletter* (January 2020, vol. 50, no. 5)