

Joseph Steadman

Associate

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Corporate clients facing high-stakes of potential class actions, as well as other commercial litigation challenges, rely on Joe Steadman for clear communication and an efficient, level-headed approach that prioritizes their business goals. Whether helping a key executive understand the finer points of a legal issue or arguing a motion in federal court, Joe applies the written and oral advocacy skills he honed in multiple judicial clerkships and across multiple areas of practice to foster connection and earn successful results.



Well-versed in drafting pleadings and submissions, such as dispositive motions, discovery motions, and answers to complaints, Joe also has experience in deposing witnesses, defending depositions, and preparing witnesses for trial and administrative testimony. He has given oral arguments and advocated for clients in settlement conferences before mediators, state judges, and federal judges. Joe's clients include industry-leading companies across a range of sectors.

EXPERIENCE

Clerkships

Hon. Timothy Rice, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (2020-2021)
Hon. John Gallagher, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (2020)
Hon. Nancy Ridgway, New Jersey Superior Court (2019-2020)

Representative Engagements

- Counseled a major insurance company in resolving a state regulatory examination.
- Represented an international insurer in reaching a favorable settlement of litigation stemming from a factory fire in France.
- Represented multiple insurance carriers in COVID-19 coverage litigation regarding senior care facilities throughout the country.
- Has obtained dismissal in actions involving breach of contract and bad faith.
- Represented clients in litigation regarding business income loss, including defending depositions of expert forensic accounting witnesses.
- Represented a major insurance company in reaching a favorable settlement of litigation based on a novel theory of water loss, including taking the deposition of Plaintiff's expert plumbing witness.
- Represented an individual moving for early termination of supervised release in federal court.
- Represented a global food ingredient provider in premises liability litigation.

CREDENTIALS

Education

Temple University Beasley School of Law, J.D., 2019, *cum laude*
Part-Time Evening Division
Trial Advocacy Graduation Certificate
Managing Editor, *Temple International and Comparative Law Journal*
Temple Law Federal Clerkship Honors Program
Teaching Assistant in Trial Advocacy Program
Dean's List
Villanova University, B.A., French and Francophone Studies, Political Science, and Business
Minor 2013, *cum laude*
Dean's List

Bar Admissions

Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

Professional Memberships

Chicago Bar Association
Illinois State Bar Association
Seventh Circuit Bar Association
Young Lawyers' Committee, Illinois Co-Chair
St. Ignatius Law Society

Languages Spoken & Fluency

French, Fluent

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

"From *Shlensky* to *Chicago National League Ball Club*," (speaker) Chicago Bar Association
Municipal and Law Committee (October 30, 2025)
"Bad Faith in First Party Property Claim Handling," (speaker) Adjuster Association of Chicago
(September 8, 2022)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

MetroSquash, Auxiliary Board Member
Villanova University Business School, Mentor
St. Laurence High School Mock Trial Club, Moderator (2022-2023)