



## Bruce D. Ryder

Senior Counsel - Retired/Non-Practicing

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### EDUCATION

- Harvard Law School, J.D., 1979
- University of Kansas, B.A.,  
French/History, with highest  
distinction, 1976, Phi Beta Kappa

### AFFILIATIONS

- Missouri Organization of Defense  
Lawyers
- Appellate Lawyers Association of  
Illinois

### EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP  
Senior Counsel, 2021-2023  
Partner, 1985-2021  
Associate, 1979-1985

Bruce has participated in more than 60 appeals involving a diverse range of subjects, such as products liability, FELA, commercial disputes and constitutional issues.

He worked with trial counsel before and during trial to assist in the persuasive presentation of legal issues and to ensure that such issues are properly preserved for appeal. He is experienced in complex litigation, including toxic tort, environmental and tobacco litigation, at both the trial court and appellate levels. He has argued cases before the Missouri Supreme Court, the Illinois Supreme Court, the intermediate appellate courts in Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts and Missouri and the United States Courts of Appeals for the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Circuits.

Bruce has lectured on appellate, professional responsibility and environmental issues.

### Recognitions

- Listed in "The Best Lawyers in America®", 2008-2015, 2017-2021 (by BL Rankings)