



## Misty Edwards Partner

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#### **PRACTICES**

- Railroad
- Transportation
- Product Liability

### **EDUCATION**

- Southern Illinois University School of Law, J.D., summa cum laude, 2009, Editor, SIU Law Journal, Domestic Violence Legal Clinic
- Southern Illinois University, B.A., cum laude, 2002

### **ADMISSIONS**

- Illinois
- Missouri
- Illinois USDC, Central District
- · Illinois USDC, Southern District
- · Missouri USDC, Eastern District
- · Missouri USDC, Western District

### REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

- Norfolk Southern Railway
- · Illinois Central Railroad
- Schneider National Carriers, Inc.
- manroland Goss

### **AFFILIATIONS**

- Illinois Bar Association
- · Missouri Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- · St . Clair County Bar Association
- National Association of Women Lawyers

# Misty represents companies facing litigation in high-risk venues across the Midwest.

Misty practices in the litigation group, with an emphasis on products liability, toxic torts, maritime, trucking and railroad litigation. She advocates for major railroads in FELA cases and other personal injury actions involving major trauma or fatalities at grade crossings. Misty has second-chaired multiple railroad trials in St. Clair County that have resulted in defense verdicts. She also plays a lead role in the drafting and research of strategic summary judgments, many of which have led to the dismissal of claims

She also serves as national counsel for private equity firm American Industrial Partners' two printing press portfolio companies, helping secure 24 case dismissals and a favorable resolution on the largest of the 30+ cases for the equity firm.

Misty also represents manufacturing, shipping, and tobacco companies in class actions, general commercial litigation, personal injury and toxic tort actions, including those alleging asbestos exposure.

### **Employment**

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2023-Present Associate, 2011-2022
- Boggs, Avellino, Lach & Boggs, LLC Associate, 2009-2010 Clerk, Summer 2008
- University Ombudsman Office Law Clerk, 2007-2009

### **Publications**

- "Does What Happens on Facebook Stay on Facebook?: Discovery, Admissibility, Ethics and Social Media"; *Illinois Bar Journal*, July 2010
- "In Re Marriage of Matchen, 866 N.E. 2d 683 (III App. Ct. 2007): Illinois Removal Standards Do Not Match Up With the Current National Trend"; SIU Law Journal, Winter 2009



 National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel

### **RECOGNITIONS**

 Included in "Illinois Super Lawyers" Rising Stars List, 2020

### Community

- Step It Up, Inc.
- Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis