



Shook’s Consumer Class Actions Practice Climbs to National Ranking in Chambers

KANSAS CITY, MO (April 27, 2020) *Chambers and Partners* lauded Shook, Hardy & Bacon’s Consumer Class Actions acumen propelling it to a national ranking for the first time. The multidisciplinary practice has advocated and earned successful results for some of the world’s leading automotive, consumer products, cosmetics, energy, and food and beverage brands. A Chambers commentator noted, “*In terms of consumer products, they have one of the top practices.*”

Chambers USA recognized other long-standing Shook practices including Product Liability, Litigation, Environmental, Insurance, Intellectual Property and Labor and Employment.

Specifically, Shook once again earned a USA – Nationwide, Band 1 ranking for Product Liability & Mass Torts, the highest ranking. *Chambers* described Shook’s work in product liability litigation as a “standout practice, much admired for its roster of product liability experts based across the USA.” *Chambers USA* noted that the firm “handles a high volume of cases across all major product areas, acting in lead and national coordinating counsel roles, and maintains a particularly strong reputation in life sciences and tobacco litigation with significant in-house scientific strength.”

In addition to the new national ranking for class actions, *Chambers* recognized Shook Associate Colman McCarthy as an “associate to watch” in Privacy and Data Security.

Chambers ranks law firms and lawyers based on in-depth interviews with attorneys and corporate counsel.

Shook Practice Area Rankings:

USA – Nationwide

- Product Liability & Mass Torts (Band 1)
- Product Liability: Consumer Class Actions (Band 2)

Missouri

- Intellectual Property (Band 2)

Kansas City & Surrounds

- Environment (Band 1)
- Labor & Employment (Band 3)
- Litigation: General Commercial (Band 1)

Illinois

- Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer (Band 2)

Florida

- Litigation: General Commercial (Band 3)

Shook Individual USA- National Rankings:

- Robert T. Adams (Product Liability & Mass Torts)
- Robert T. Adams (Litigation: Trial Lawyers)
- William Geraghty (Product Liability & Mass Torts)
- Michael Mallow (Product Liability: Consumer Class Action)
- Colman McCarthy (Privacy & Data Security) * an “associate to watch.”
- Madeleine McDonough (Product Liability & Mass Torts)
- Patrick Oot (Litigation: E-Discovery)
- Kenneth J. Reilly (Product Liability & Mass Torts; Spotlight Table: Product Liability - Tobacco)
- Al Saikali (Privacy & Data Security)
- Hildy Sastre (Product Liability & Mass Torts)
- Sean P. Wajert (Product Liability & Mass Torts)

Shook Individual Regional Rankings:

Litigation: General Commercial

- Robert T. Adams (Kansas City & Surrounds)
- William P. Geraghty (Florida)
- Michael Mallow (California)
- Joseph Rebein (Kansas City & Surrounds)
- Kenneth J. Reilly (Florida)
- Todd W. Ruskamp (Kansas City & Surrounds)
- William R. Sampson (Kansas City & Surrounds)

Environment

- Mark D. Anstoetter (Kansas City & Surrounds)
- John M. Barkett (Florida)
- David R. Erickson (Kansas City & Surrounds)
- Thomas J. Grever (Kansas City & Surrounds)

Insurance: Dispute Resolution

- Lynn H. Murray (Illinois)
- David E. Schoenfeld (Illinois)

Intellectual Property

- Mike J. Gross (Missouri)
- Sharon A. Israel (Texas)
- B. Trent Webb (Missouri)

Labor & Employment

- William C. Martucci (Kansas City & Surrounds)

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About Shook, Hardy & Bacon

Founded in 1889, Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P. has 15 offices in the United States and London, with attorneys and professional staff serving clients in the health, science and technology sectors in areas ranging from product liability defense and commercial litigation to intellectual property prosecution and litigation, environmental and toxic tort, privacy and data security, and regulatory counseling.