



Daniel S. Hefter
Partner

Representative Matters;

- Successfully represented the plaintiff in a breach of contract case over the sale of a well-known Chicago area business. The case was settled on terms favorable to the client just as jury selection was about to begin.
- Obtained a favorable jury verdict for a defendant contract manufacturer of cosmetic products in a case brought by the manufacturer's customer in which the plaintiff sought a large amount of damages allegedly incurred as a result of bacterial contamination of a product.
- Obtained a favorable settlement on behalf of a national floral wholesaler in a case brought against a former officer, his new company and a competitor involving issues of breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract.
- Successfully defended the owner/operator of a tug boat company who had been indicted by the federal government on felony environmental charges. Settled case for nominal civil fine and plea to misdemeanor with no criminal penalty other than payment of \$25 in court costs.
- Obtained, in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, a reversal of a summary judgment that had been entered by the District Court against a major Chicago law firm in a case involving constitutional and federal statutory protections for Native American tribal business entities. *Alzheimer & Gray v. Sioux Manufacturing Co.*, 983. F. 2d 803 (7th Cir. 1993). As a result of the reversal of the summary judgment, the case was settled on terms favorable to the client.
- Obtained a reversal of the trial and appellate courts by the Illinois Supreme Court on an issue of attorney-client privilege on behalf of a business which had sued its former attorney. *Fischel & Kahn, Ltd. v. Van Straaten Gallery, Inc.*, 189 Ill. 2d 579, 727 N.E. 2d 240 (2000).
- Successful representation of clients in numerous appeals involving issues of libel and slander including:
 - *Dolatowski v. Life Printing and Publishing Co., Inc.*, 197 Ill. App. 3d 23, 554 N.E. 2d 692 (1st Dist. 1990)

- *O'Donnell v. Field Enterprises, Inc.*, 145 Ill. App. 3d 1032, 491 N.E. 2d 1212 (1st Dist. 1986)
- *Ollman v. Evans*, 750 F. 2d 970 (D.C. Cir. 1984) (*en banc*), *cert. denied*, 471 U.S. 1127 (1985)
- *Howell v. Bleharczyck*, 119 Ill. App. 3d 987, 457 N.E. 2d 494 (1st Dist. 1983)