

BUSINESS LITIGATION

Appellate Practice

Among the practice areas strengthened by the recent evolution of Schuyler, Roche & Crisham is Appellate Practice. Few firms can match Schuyler, Roche & Crisham's track record of appellate success. Several of our attorneys served early in their careers as judicial clerks for justices on the Illinois Appellate Court and Illinois Supreme Court. There, they observed the proper way to craft and execute a successful appeal. While some firms treat an appeal as an after-thought, Schuyler, Roche & Crisham is committed firm-wide to setting a standard of excellence in its appellate practice.

This commitment, which has earned the firm's members their outstanding reputations in Appellate Practice, includes a number of senior attorneys and partners who are active members and leaders within the Appellate Lawyers Association. The firm's members have an impressive resume of cases successfully briefed and argued in state and federal courts of review. In addition, Schuyler, Roche & Crisham attorneys often are called into cases after a client has endured an undesirable result in the trial court. They also frequently have appeared as amicus curiae (friends of the court) on behalf of various professional organizations.

Jean Prendergast, a shareholder with Schuyler, Roche & Crisham and a respected appellate and trial lawyer, co-authors the Civil Section of Cases Pending, a catalogue of cases currently pending before the Illinois Supreme Court. She presently serves as an Officer for the Appellate Lawyers Association in the position of Secretary.

The key to success in Appellate Practice is the firm's approach to appellate advocacy. An appeal is a client's best, last chance to have his or her day in court. Telling the client's story persuasively with a thorough knowledge of the facts, the law and a deep appreciation of the issues is why Schuyler, Roche & Crisham succeeds on behalf of its clients.

There is an art to the crafting and execution of a successful appeal. It is also the best, last chance for a client's story to be told. No firm places greater importance on appellate excellence than Schuyler, Roche & Crisham.

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