

Clifford Berlow Praised as an Exemplary Writer, Powerfully Persuasive Oral Advocate in Law Bulletin Media “40 Under 40” Profile

Recognition

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In its profile of Jenner & Block Partner Clifford W. Berlow as one of “40 Illinois Lawyers Under 40 to Watch,” Law Bulletin Media recognized Mr. Berlow for leading several high-profile cases during his career that have helped preserve the safety and rights of the public. The profile features quotes from law professionals at Mayer Brown LLP and the Institute on the Supreme Court of the United States at IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law who have partnered with Mr. Berlow on important cases. Citing his notable work on matters including *Shepard v. Madigan*, *ICC v. FERC*, *Manuel v. City of Joliet*, and *Property Casualty Insurers Association of America v. Donovan*, they commend Mr. Berlow on his impressive writing and oratory skills. The profile also notes that Mr. Berlow played an important role on the small teams of lawyers who drafted US Supreme Court briefs that won the Best Brief Award two times from the National Association of Attorneys General.

“Cliff is that extremely rare combination of exemplary writer, powerfully persuasive oral advocate and sophisticated legal strategist,” said Michael Scodro of Mayer Brown LLP, who worked with Cliff on the *Manuel v. City of Joliet*. “In short, he’s an extraordinary attorney.”

When discussing the briefs Cliff authored for the *ICC v. FERC* case, Brett Legner from Mayer Brown LLP noted Cliff has one of the most gifted writers and strategists he has ever known. “Cliff has a unique ability to analyze highly technical and complex cases and persuasively convey that analysis to appellate courts in persuasive briefs and oral arguments,” he said.

Carolyn Shapiro, co-director of the Institute on the Supreme Court of the United States at IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, detailed how impressed she was when working with Cliff on an amicus brief for *Property Casualty Insurers Association of America v. Donovan*. She speaks to the extensive research Cliff put into preparing the brief, which ultimately led to the district court rejecting the challenger’s claims.

A member of our Appellate and Supreme Court Practice, Cliff rose to the top of more than 1,000 nominations. He was selected based on reviews from peers and others in the legal profession who highlighted his work and commitment to the industry.

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