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Our Chicago office provides the full-breadth of Jenner & Block's services and experience, helping clients seize new opportunities or navigate bet-the-company challenges. Representing clients throughout the United States and internationally, our Chicago lawyers guide some of the world's largest corporations through their most complex and important litigation matters, investigations, and corporate transactions.

Known as a litigation powerhouse, our Chicago-based lawyers work collaboratively across practices and industries to develop bold and impactful strategies. We represent clients before federal and appeals courts throughout the United States, including the US Supreme Court, and before federal and state agencies.

Lawyers in our Chicago office are leaders in our Business Litigation; Food, Beverage, and Consumer Law; Hospitality and Real Estate; Patent; Professional Responsibility; Investigations, Compliance, and Defense; Energy; Corporate; and Bankruptcy and Restructuring practices.

Founded in 1914, the Chicago office is Jenner & Block's first and largest office, and the center from which the firm built its reputation and culture. Our Chicago lawyers include former United States Attorneys, members of the American College of Trial Lawyers and American College of Bankruptcy, leaders of the Chicago Bar Association and Chicago Bar Foundation, and former general counsels of Fortune 100 companies.

Jenner & Block's imprint on Chicago and the Midwest extends not only to the critical work we do for institutional and emerging Chicago area-businesses, but also to our pro bono contributions and our leadership in prominent civic and cultural institutions, including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Commercial Club of Chicago, Chicago Botanic Garden, and the Art Institute of Chicago.

Our lawyers are among the city's most dedicated providers of pro bono legal services, working on a wide range of cases including prisoner civil rights, criminal defense, reproductive rights, and immigration and asylum matters, and providing support to non-profits and small businesses. To increase access to justice for those who are underserved and the most in need, we regularly partner with corporate clients and non-profit organizations to expand our pro bono impact.

Representative Matters

- Produced a high-profile, independent public report for the Chicago Blackhawks hockey team, investigating allegations that a former player was sexually assaulted by an assistant coach.
- Scored jury trial and appellate victories against client Hetric's former foreign distributors that hold them liable under the Lanham Act for infringing foreign sales impacting Hetric and US commerce. The jury verdict included approximately \$102 million in compensatory damages and \$12 million in punitive damages.
- Defending clients in a number of cases centering on the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act (BIPA), including representing leading universities, restaurants, retailers, and entertainment companies.
- Represent utilities across the state in a variety of litigation and regulatory matters, our industry-leading Energy practice provides strategic legal counsel on complex climate and sustainability issues, including emission reduction commitments, natural climate solutions, and transitioning to renewable energy sources.
- Collectively handled more than 175 consumer class action cases for Food and Beverage industry clients across the country. We are counsel of choice for the world's most recognized brands, including Illinois-based Mondelez International, The Kraft Heinz Foods Co., and The Kellogg Co.
- Represented USA Gymnastics in its Chapter 11 bankruptcy case arising from the sexual abuse of athletes. We negotiated with survivors and USA Gymnastics' insurers to reach agreement on a joint plan of reorganization that creates a \$380 million trust for survivors and includes significant non-monetary commitments from USA Gymnastics focused on athlete safety and wellness.

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