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John Mahon's practice consists of representing a wide variety of clients in litigation with an emphasis in defending hospitals, health systems and physicians. He also has significant experience in various other types of civil litigation, including personal injury, products liability, premises liability, construction, toxic torts and insurance litigation. John is a seasoned speaker and author, presenting to legal and non-legal professionals at nationwide conferences.

**EDUCATION:**

- ◆ Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2004
  - Editor, *Saint Louis University Law Journal*
  - Excellence Award for legal research and writing
  - Emil A. Strauss Academic Scholarship
- ◆ Boston College, B.A., *magna cum laude* 2001
- ◆ King's College, University of London, England, 1999

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

- ◆ Missouri Bar
- ◆ Illinois State Bar Association
- ◆ Defense Research Institute
- ◆ The Lawyers Association of St. Louis
  - Executive Committee (2009 - present)
- ◆ Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

**AWARDS AND HONORS:**

- ◆ Named as an "Up & Coming Lawyer" in 2011 by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*
- ◆ Listed with Missouri and Kansas *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars (2010-2011)
- ◆ Recognized as receiving a "Top Plaintiff Verdict or Settlement" in 2009 and a "Top Defense Verdict" in 2007 as reported by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*
- ◆ *Best Oral Advocate*, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis Young Lawyers' Division Inaugural Trial Advocacy Competition (February 2007)

**CIVIC AND CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:**

- ◆ Member, *Young Friends Steering Committee* - Saint Louis Art Museum
- ◆ Saint Louis University High School Alumni Board

**BAR ADMISSIONS:**

- ◆ United States District Courts
  - Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri
  - Southern District of Illinois
- ◆ Missouri
- ◆ Illinois

**PUBLICATIONS AND LECTURES:**

- ◆ Speaker, "Construction Fraud," Associated General Contractors of St. Louis Fraud Detection and Prevention Seminar (July 2010)
- ◆ Co-Author, "Asbestos Take-Home Cases: Liability Depends on State Law," American Bar Association Journal, *Mass Torts* (Winter 2010)
- ◆ Author, "To Facebook or Not To Facebook: Recent Web 2.0 Developments That You Should Know About," The Lawyers Association of St. Louis' *The Bench & Bar* (September 2009) Reprinted in the Missouri Bar's *The Young Lawyer* (Winter 2010)
- ◆ Speaker, "They Took What? Information Employers Need to Know About Computer Tampering Laws," CLE Presentation for Client (June 2009)
- ◆ Author, "Federal Railroad Preemption: Past, Present and Future," American Short Line and Regional Railroad's *Legal Tracks* (October 2008)
- ◆ Author, "Using the CFAA to Prevent Abuse of Your Company's Computer System," Association of Corporate Counsel's *St. Louis Chapter Newsletter* (July 2008)
- ◆ Author, "To Exclude or Not To Exclude: The Impact of Terrorism on Homeowners Insurance," DRI's *Carrier Courier* (Spring 2006). Reprinted in *The Journal of the Missouri Bar* (January/February 2007)
- ◆ Speaker and Author, "Subrogating the Large Property Loss," Property Loss Research Bureau Annual Conference (April 2006)

**REPRESENTATIVE CASES:**

- ◆ Six-figure settlement on behalf of workers' compensation insurer in breach of contract and fraud action in federal court against contractor to recoup unpaid insurance premiums.
- ◆ Dismissal of all claims against Fortune 500 electronics manufacturer in lawsuit with allegations of criminal harassment, common law libel and violations of the Missouri Merchandising Practices Act.
- ◆ Defense Verdict for hospital and emergency room physician following four-day trial for wrongful death of a 40 year-old woman.
- ◆ Charles Biondo v. Union Insurance Company of Providence, 179 S.W.3d 396 (Mo.App.E.D. 2005) - Appellate court affirmed trial court's grant of summary judgment in favor of property insurer in connection with claim for water damage to foundation of home.
- ◆ Defense Verdict for property insurer following two-week jury trial for breach of contract and vexatious refusal to pay damages in connection with insurance claim for hail damage involving two apartment complexes.