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Steve Sanders' practice has included trying cases, arguing appeals and supervising litigation in diverse courts from Vermont to California, and has included arguments before the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeals and the Appellate and Supreme Courts of Missouri and Illinois. Over the course of his career, he has tried more than 50 cases to verdict. Among these trials was the successful defense of a major U.S. brokerage company against fraud and conspiracy charges in federal court, the successful defense of a well-known food products franchise in a breach of contract action, the successful defense of many product liability cases on behalf of auto manufacturers, equipment manufacturers and pharmaceutical companies, the successful defense of a major life insurance company in federal court based upon the insured's misrepresentation of his medical condition, and serving as special counsel to a major company in mass asbestos litigation. He has also obtained, on the eve of trial, a summary judgment on behalf of a major financial institution in the first case alleging redlining against that institution.

Steve currently serves as Regional Trial Counsel for a Fortune 100 manufacturer of heavy equipment and as national counsel for a consumer goods manufacturer in welding fume litigation.

Steve practices principally in the areas of business and product liability litigation. In addition to the state and federal courts of both Missouri and Illinois, he regularly handles cases throughout the Midwest in his role as Regional Trial Counsel. He has, for many years, been selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, Missouri and Kansas *Super Lawyers* and *Super Lawyers Corporate Counsel Edition* in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation and Product Liability Litigation.

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### EDUCATION:

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- ◆ Indiana University - Indianapolis Law School, J.D.,  
*magna cum laude* 1975
- ◆ University of Illinois, B.A., 1972

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### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

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- ◆ Missouri Bar
- ◆ Indiana Bar Association
- ◆ American Bar Association
- ◆ Product Liability Advisory Council (PLAC)
- ◆ Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- ◆ Defense Research Institute
- ◆ Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers
- ◆ Association of Defense Counsel of Metropolitan St. Louis (Past President)

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### BAR ADMISSIONS:

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- ◆ United States Courts of Appeals
  - Seventh Circuit
  - Eighth Circuit
  - Ninth Circuit
- ◆ United States District Courts
  - Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri
  - Southern and Northern Districts of Illinois
  - Southern District of Indiana
  - Eastern and Western Districts of Michigan
  - District of Nebraska
  - Western District of Wisconsin
- ◆ Missouri
- ◆ Illinois
- ◆ Indiana