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### Overview

George W. Spellmire is one of the country's leading professional liability litigation lawyers. He has more than thirty years of experience and has supervised thousands of professional liability cases. He represents private and public corporations, law firms and individuals in litigation, trials and alternative dispute resolution involving professional liability and disciplinary issues. He has tried many legal mal-practice and accounting cases and is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Recognized by The National Law Journal as one of the most prominent professional malpractice lawyers in the United States, he has been included in The Best Lawyers in America since 1995. He is a member of the Leading Lawyers Network and recognized as an Illinois Super Lawyer.

### Education

J.D., DePaul University 1974

B.A., Ohio State University 1970

Brown University (attended 1966-67)

### **Areas of Practice**

Accountant Malpractice, Legal Malpractice, Financial Malpractice, Insurance Coverage.

### Admissions

- · Illinois, 1974
- · United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, 1974
- · United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, 1984
- United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin, 2008
- · United States District Court, Northern District of Indiana, 2009
- · Supreme Court of the United States, 1994
- · Federal Trial Bar
- · United States Tax Court

### **Professional Activities**

- Spellmire Law Firm LLC (2010-)
- Spellmire & Sommer (2003-2010)
- D'Ancona & Pflaum LLC (1998-2003)
- Hinshaw & Culbertson: Partner in Charge of 400-professional multi-state law firm Professional Liability Practice (1985-1998); Executive Committee (1984-1998); Chairman of the Ethics Committee (1987-1998)
- American College of Trial Lawyers (1995- ): Legal Ethics Committee (2000-2004)
- · Society of Trial Lawyers (1988-)
- The Chicago Lincoln Inn of Court (1994-1998)
- · Northwestern University: Adjunct Professor, School of Law (1993-)
- International Association of Defense Counsel (1988-): Legal Malpractice Committee (1988-), Secretary (1992-93), Vice-Chair of Programs and Projects (1993-95), Professional Errors and Omissions Substantive Law Committee (1995-), Advocacy Practice and Procedure Committee (1994-), Medical Malpractice Committee (1995-), Special Committee on Defense Counsel Practice Management (1989-1995), Special Committee on Professional Responsibility (1993-1997)
- · Defense Research Institute: Chairman, Lawyers Professional Responsibility Committee (1995-1996)
- Professional Liability Underwriting Society (1993-1998)
- · American Bar Association
- Associate National Legal Malpractice Data Center Standing Committee on Professional Liability
- · Chicago Bar Association: Judicial Evaluation Committee (1992-1993), Commercial Litigation Committee (2003-)
- · Illinois State Bar Association
- Drafted Illinois Legal Malpractice Statute of Limitations

# **Expert Witness Testimony**

- · E&M Investments v. Katten Muchin et al.
- · Beeland v. McGuire Woods
- Ingram v. Callpod
- · Lauralee K. Bell, Trustee v. Levenfeld Pearlstein, et al.
- · First Merit v. Canel, et al.
- · Amway v. Proctor & Gamble
- · Hanselman v. Baird

# Membership

- · American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- · Society of Trial Lawyers
- · Chicago and Illinois State and American (Standing Committee on Professional Liability) Bar Associations
- International Association of Defense Counsel (Advocacy Practice and Procedure Committee, Legal Malpractice Committee, Medical Malpractice Committee, Professional Errors and Omissions Substantive Law Committee)
- · Defense Research Institute
- · Professional Liability Underwriting Society

### **Presentations**

- Hot Topics in Agriculture—Legal Malpractice for the Agricultural Attorney, Illinois State Bar Association, February 1, 2013, Bloomington-Normal
- · Accountants' Liability to Non-clients, International Association of Defense Counsel, May 17, 2012, Chicago, Illinois
- Ethics for Intellectual Property Lawyers, Chicago Bar Association, February 1, 2012, Chicago, Illinois
- Hot Topics in Agriculture—Legal Malpractice for the Agricultural Attorney, Illinois State Bar Association, February 4, 2011, Bloomington-Normal
- 2010 Rules of Professional Conduct and Legal Professionalism Standards, National Business Institute, May 20, 2010, Oak Brook
   Illinois
- · ABA Working Group on Legal Opinions, Fall Seminar, October 20, 2009, New York, New York
- Special Issues for In-House Counsel, Law Seminars International, June 18, 2008
- Legal Ethics: Solutions to the Most Common Challenges, National Business Institute, June 11, 2008
- The Sub-Prime Loan Crisis: The Impact on Professionals, International Association of Defense Counsel Professional Liability Roundtable, May 8, 2008
- Legal Malpractice Roundtable, CNA Insurance, October 30, 2001
- Disarming Experts and Other Legal Malpractice Challenges, Great American Insurance Group Legal Ethics Seminar, October
- Copernicus v. Flat Earth Society: Expert Testimony Under Daubert and Kumho, International Association of Defense Counsel, 2001 Midyear Meeting
- · How-To's of Selecting the Ethics and Substantive Experts, ABA Fall 2000 National Legal Malpractice Conference
- · Avoiding Legal Malpractice, Chicago Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section, April, 1986
- Lawyer Competence: Administrative Management Aspects of Law Practice, American Bar Association Regional Conference on Lawyer Competence, April, 1989
- Legal Malpractice, Northwest Suburban Bar Association, February, 1985
- · Legal Malpractice, Madison County Bar Association, January, 1981
- · Kane County Bar Association, March, 1988
- · Chicago Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section CLE, March, 1987
- Colorado Bar Association, CLE, June, 1986
- Illinois Institute for Continuing Education, January, 1982
- · Legal Malpractice and Prevention, Illinois State Bar Association, Outreach Meeting, January, 1981
- Winnebago County Bar Association, November, 1987
- Illinois State Bar Association, January, 1982
- Practical Tips in Handling Sanction Motions, IADC, June, 1987
- · Sanctions and Illinois Section 2-611, Chicago Bar Association, April, 1989
- The Practitioner and Legal Malpractice: Insurance, Liability and Loss Prevention, DePaul University College of Law, October, 1986
- 1990 IICLE Seminar Statutory Liability of Accountants, May 22, 1990, Accountant's Liability and Malpractice
- 1991 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars

- Arizona (Phoenix, Tucson), Tennessee (Chattanooga), Illinois (Chicago (7), Peoria (2), Rolling Meadows, Champaign) Texas (Houston, Dallas), Tennessee (Memphis, Nashville), Indiana (Indianapolis (3)), Michigan (Grand Rapids, Detroit), New York (Rochester, Buffalo), Arkansas (Hot Springs, Little Rock), Washington (Seattle (2)), Wisconsin (Madison (2), Milwaukee)
- 1992 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars
- Tennessee (Chattanooga, Memphis, Nashville), Arizona (Phoenix, Tucson), Indiana (Evansville, Indianapolis), Illinois (Chicago (3), Peoria, Springfield, Joliet, Northbrook), Michigan (Grand Rapids, Flint) Kansas (Overland Park)
- 1993 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars
- Arkansas (Little Rock (2), Hot Springs), Arizona (Phoenix), Ohio (Cleveland, Cincinnati), Tennessee (Memphis, Nashville), Illinois (Chicago (3), St. Charles, Peoria, Springfield, Northbrook), Wisconsin (Wausau, LaCrosse), Michigan (Detroit), Indiana (Indianapolis (2), Ft. Wayne), New Mexico (Albuquerque), Missouri (St. Louis), Arkansas (Springdale)
- 1994 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars
- Illinois (Chicago (3), Peoria (2), Springfield, Northbrook), Indiana (Indianapolis), Arkansas (Little Rock, Hot Springs), Arizona (Phoenix), California (San Francisco, San Diego, Los Angeles), Cleveland (Ohio, Colorado (Denver), Minnesota (Minneapolis), Tennessee (Memphis, Michigan (Detroit) Wisconsin (Madison, Milwaukee)
- 1995 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars
- Illinois (Chicago (5), Westmont, Peoria, Collinsville), California (Los Angeles) Tennessee (Knoxville, Memphis, Nashville), Michigan (Lansing), Indiana (Indianapolis), Colorado (Denver), Wisconsin (Oconomowoc), Arizona (Phoenix), Missouri (St. Louis), Indiana (Evansville)
- 1996 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars Illinois (Chicago) (Peoria)
- 1997 CLE Lawyers Loss Control Seminars Hawaii, Illinois (Chicago, Collinsville)
- Defense Counsel Malpractice Issues, Illinois Defense Counsel September, 1996
- 1995 Preventing Malpractice, Phelan, Pope, Cahill & Devine, May 15, 1995
- 1995 CBA Legal Malpractice Program, Chicago Bar Association, May 12, 1995
- 1995 Preventing Malpractice: Learn From the Experts, Chicago Bar Association May 12, 1995
- Business v. Legal Advice, DuPage County Bar Association, March 27, 1993
- Insurance Issues and Legal Malpractice, Professional Liability Underwriter's Society, November 12, 1993
- Legal Malpractice Claims, Coffield, Ungaretti & Harris, September 23, 1993
- NIU Ethics Conference, Kane County Public Defenders, October 21, 1993
- Legal Malpractice and Environmental Law, ABA Standing Committee Lawyer's on Professional Liability, (San Francisco) April 22, 1994
- Legal Malpractice in Worker's Compensation Law Practice, Workers Compensation Lawyers Association (October, 1992; March, 1994)
- Ethics and Environmental Law, The Bar Association of San Francisco (January 1995)
- · Loss Prevention Seminar, Chicago Bar Association, May 16, 1994
- Litigation Malpractice "Tips & Traps", Chicago Bar Association, June 27, 1994
- Malpractice Prevention Lohrman, Business Center, Inc., December 1, 1994
- · Challenges of Professionalism in Business Law Practice, Illinois State Bar Association, November 10, 1994
- · Liability and Ethical Considerations For The Environmental Practitioner, The Bar Association of San Francisco, January, 1995
- Liability and Ethical Considerations For The Environmental Practitioner, The Bar Association of San Francisco, January, 1996
- Roundtable on Professional Responsibility, Illinois State Bar Association, November 10, 1995
- · Professional Responsibility, Chicago Bar Association, Judicial Circuit Court Committee, February 1993
- Lawyer Disqualification: Disciplinary and Malpractice Implications, ABA 22nd National Conference on Professional Responsibility, May 30, 1996.
- Who is the Client? The Tripartite Relationship, Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel, January 24, 1997
- · Legal Malpractice Issues Evolving Standards of Liability, ATLLP George W. Spellmire, June 23, 1997
- The Trial of the Legal Malpractice Case: The Standard of Care vs. Custom and Practice ", Chicago Bar Association Committee on the Prevention of Attorney Malpractice, January 5, 1999
- Does the Attorney-Client Privilege Protect Advice by House Counsel for a Law Firm?, Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers, August 6, 1999
- Legal Malpractice in Family Law Scope of the Attorney's Duty, Chicago Bar Association Adoption Law Committee, September 14, 1999
- Economic Damages: Proof of Lost Profits and diminished enterprise value, November 30, 2007, Peninsula Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, Econ One CLE Seminar
- Appellate Lawyer Malpractice, Illinois Appellate Lawyers' Association, May 6, 2004.
- Skeletons in the Closet and Sleepless Nights, Northern Estate Planning Council, April 24, 2002.

## **Publications**

- Negligent Settlement The Retreat of the "Case Within the Case" Doctrine and the "But For" Rule, International Association of Defense Counsel Newsletter, No. 2 (April 2001); International Association of Defense Counsel Defense Counsel Journal, Vol. 68, No. 4 (October 2001)
- · When a Non-Client Has the Right to Sue You, George Spellmire and Phillip Shawn Wood, Accounting Liability Alert, January 1999
- Accounting, Auditing and Financial Malpractice, George W. Spellmire, Wayne Baliga and Debra A. Winiarski, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1998
- Accountants' Liability to Non-Clients, George W. Spellmire, 1998, Accounting Liability Alert, Harcourt & Brace Professional Publishing, 1998
- A Digest of State and Federal Cases citing the Restatement of the Law Governing Lawyers, Thomas P. McGarry and George W. Spellmire, Professional Liability Underwriting Society 10th Annual International Conference, Chicago, Illinois, November 12-14, 1997
- The Practice of Law and Conflicts of Interest: Living Close to the Line, George W. Spellmire and Susan A. Tweet, Counselor, The Lawyers Professional Liability Association, Vol. VI, Issue III
- · Legal Malpractice Issues in Arizona Family Law, Arizona State Bar Convention Family Law Section Seminar, June, 1997
- · Legal Malpractice Issues Evolving Standards of Liability, ATLLP George W. Spellmire, June 23, 1997
- Achieving Excellence in a Defense Practice, IADC George W. Spellmire, May 12, 1995
- Law Firm Wakeups, Shakeups and Breakups, IADC George W. Spellmire and Jeffrey R. Platt, 1995
- Ethical Implications and Malpractice Considerations for Law Firm Changes, International Association of Defense Counsel, February, 1995
- · Accountant's Legal Liability, George W. Spellmire, Wayne Baliga and Debra A. Winiarski, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1993
- · Attorney Disciplinary Proceedings: Illinois Practice and Procedure, Hinshaw & Culbertson, 1991
- Illinois Supreme Court Provides Defense Lawyers With Another Tool to Dismiss Lawsuits, George W. Spellmire and Ellen L. Zopff, Hinshaw & Culbertson
- · Attorney Communications, Chapter, IADC Defense Management Manual, 1991
- Office Sharing, Partnership Dissolution and Malpractice Exposure, Illinois State Bar Association Newsletter, Illinois State Bar Association. 1991
- · Attorney Malpractice: Prevention & Defense, Dennis J. Horan and George W. Spellmire, Garland Publishing, 1990
- · Communications with Clients and Non-Clients, Control Manual, September, 1990
- The Practice of Law and Conflicts of Interest: Living Close to the Line, George Spellmire and Susan A. Tweet, Illinois Bar Journal, Vol. 77, No. 9, 1989
- The Associates' Primer for the Prevention of Legal Malpractice, George W. Spellmire, Garland Publishing, Spring, 1987
- Rule 11: Practice and Procedure, George W. Spellmire, International Association of Defense Counsel (August, 1987)
- Practical Tips in Handling a Legal Malpractice Case: Complaint Through Trial, Thomas L. Browne and George W. Spellmire, American Journal of Trial Advocacy, Volume 9:3, 1986
- Professional Liability, Attorneys, 1986 Supplement, George W. Spellmire, Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, December, 1986
- Legal Liability of Attorney-Shareholders, Professional Legal Corporations, and Professional Legal Associations, George W.
   Spellmire, IADC Newsletter, 1985
- Illinois Handbook on Legal Malpractice, Dennis J. Horan and George W. Spellmire, Etema Press, 1982
- · Lawyer's Liability in Illinois: Current Legal Issues, George W. Spellmire, Illinois Bar Journal, January, 1981

## **Reported Decisions**

- Scottie Pippen and Air Pip, Inc. v. Pedersen & Houpt, James J. Clarke II and Peer Pedersen, 2013 IL App. (1st) 111371
- Heintz v. Jenkins, 514 U.S. 291, 115 S. Ct. 1489,131 L.Ed.2d 395 (1995)
- Jenkins v. Heintz, 25 F.3d 536 (7th Cir. 1994) Jenkins v. Heintz, 124 F.3d 824 (7th Cir. 1997)
- Mace v. Van Ru Credit Corp., 109 F.3d 338 (7th Cir. 1997) Avila v. Rubin, 84 F.3d 222 (7th Cir. 1996)
- Havoco of America, Ltd. v. Freeman, Atkins & Coleman, Ltd., 58 F.3d 303 (7th Cir. 1995)
- · Havoco of America, Ltd. v. Freeman, Atkins & Coleman, Ltd., 856 F. Supp. 466 (N.D. III. 1994)
- · A.O. Smith Corp. v. Lewis, Overbeck & Furman, 979 F.2d 546 (7th Cir. 1992)
- A.O. Smith Corp. v. Lewis, Overbeck & Furman, 777 F. Supp. 1405 (N.D. III. 1991)
- Brandt v. Schal Assoc., Inc., 960 F.2d 640 (7th Cir. 1992)
- Brandt v. Schal Assoc., Inc., 121 F.R.D. 368 (N.D. III. 1988)
- Brandt v. Schal Assoc., Inc., 131 F.R.D. 485 (N.D. III. 1990)
- Brandt v. Schal Assoc., Inc., 131 F.R.D. 512 (N.D. III. 1990)
- Davenport v. A.C. Davenport & Son Co., 903 F.2d 1139 (7th Cir. 1990)
- Marrese v. Interqual, Inc., 748 F.2d 373 (7th Cir. 1984)

- Terrell v. Childers, 920 F. Supp. 854 (N.D. III. 1996)
- Terrell v. Childers, 889 F. Supp. 311 (N.D. III. 1995)
- Transcraft, Inc. v. Galvin, Stalmack, Kirschner & Clark, 39 F.3d 812 (7th Cir. 1994)
- Mid America Title Co. v. Kirk, 991 F.2d 417 (7th Cir. 1993)
- Doe v. Roe, 958 F.2d 763 (7th Cir. 1992)
- Sullivan v. Freeman, 944 F.2d 334 (7th Cir. 1991)
- Renovitch v. Kaufman, 905 F.2d 1040 (7th Cir. 1990)
- Greycas, Inc. v. Proud, 826 F.2d 1560 (7th Cir. 1987)
- Reis v. Morrison, 807 F.2d 112 (7th Cir. 1986)
- Cortes v. Gratkowski, 795 F. Supp. 248 (N.D. III. 1992)
- Excalibur Oil, Inc. v. Sullivan, 659 F. Supp. 1539 (N.D. III. 1987)
- Mid-America Title Co. v. Kirk, 867 F. Supp. 673 (N.D. III. 1994)
- Continental Casualty Co. v. Flomenhoft, 263 III. App. 3d 22, 640 N.E.2d 290 (1994)
- Jewish Hospital of St. Louis v. Boatmen's Nat'l Bank of Belleville, 261 III. App. 3d 750, 633 N.E.2d 1267 (1994)
- Sohaey v. Van Cura, 240 III. App. 3d 266, 607 N.E.2d 253 (1992)
- Smith v. Anson, 801 F. Supp. 176 (S.D. III. 1992)
- Klass v. Winstein, Kavensky, Wallace & Doughty, 219 Ill. App. 3d 817, 579 N.E.2d 365 (1991)
- Stedman v. Hoogendoorn, Talbot, Davids, Godfrey & Milligan, 843 F. Supp. 1512 (N.D. III. 1994)
- Wielgos v. Commonwealth Edison Co., 127 F.R.D. 135 (N.D. III. 1989)
- Curtis v. Radio Representatives, Inc., 696 F. Supp. 729 (D.D.C. 1988)
- Andersen v. Roszkowski, 681 F. Supp. 1284 (N.D. III. 1988)
- First Financial Leasing Corp. v. Hartge, 671 F. Supp. 538 (N.D. III. 1987)
- First Interstate Bank of Nevada, N.A. v. National Republic Bank of Chicago, 1986 WL 6928 (N.D. III. 1986)
- Lipin Enterprises v. Lee, 803 F.2d 322 (7th Cir. 1986)
- Lipin Enterprises, Inc. v. Lee, 625 F. Supp. 1098 (N.D. III. 1985)
- First Interstate Bank of Nevada, N.A. v. National Republic Bank of Chicago, 1985 WL 1118 (N.D. III. 1985)
- · General Accident Ins. Co. of America v. Schoendorf & Sorgi, 202 Wis.2d 98, 549 N.W. 2d 429 (1996)
- McDowell v. Waldron, 920 S.W.2d 555 (Mo. App. E.D. 1996)
- Tompkins v. Cervantes, 917 S.W.2d 186 (Mo. App. E.D. 1996)
- · Apostolou v. Geldermann, 919 F. Supp. 289 (N.D. III. 1996)
- General Accident Ins. Co. of America v. Schoendorf & Sorgi, 195 Wis.2d 784, 537 N.W.2d 33 (1995)
- Ogle v. Hotto, 273 III. App. 3d 313, 652 N.E.2d 815 (1995)
- Donovan v. Nellis, 528 F. Supp. 538 (N.D. Fla. 1981) Doe v. Roe, 289 III. App. 3d 116, 681 N.E.2d 640 (1997)
- Bonanno v. Potthoff, 527 F. Supp. 561 (N.D. III. 1981)
- Claypool v. Levin, 209 Wis.2d 284, 562 N.W.2d 584 (1997)
- Brown-Seydel v. Mehta, 281 III. App. 3d 365, 666 N.E.2d 800 (1st. Dist. 1996)
- S.C. Vaughan Oil Co. v. Caldwell, Troutt and Alexander, 285 Ill. App. 3d 77, 673 N.E.2d 1156 (1996)
- Majumdar v. Lurie, 274 III. App. 3d 267, 653 N.E.2d 915 (1st Dist. 1995)
- Wells v. Enloe, 282 III. App. 3d 586, 669 N.E.2d 368 (1996)
- Sharpenter v. Lynch, 233 III. App. 3d 319, 599 N.E.2d 464 (2nd Dist. 1992)
- Claypool v. Levin, 195 Wis.2d 535, 536 N.W.2d 206 (1995)
- Ores v. Kennedy, 218 III. App. 3d 866, 578 N.E.2d 1139 (1st Dist. 1991)
- Nika v. Danz, 199 III. App. 3d 296, 556 N.E.2d 873 (4th Dist. 1990)
- B.T. Explorations, Inc. v. Stanley, 187 III. App. 3d 23, 542 N.E.2d 1292 (1st Dist. 1989)
- First Nat. Bank of Sullivan v. Brumleve and Dabbs, 183 III. App. 3d 987, 539 N.E.2d 877 (4th Dist. 1989)
- Turk v. Wright & Babcock, Ltd., 174 III. App. 3d 139, 528 N.E.2d 993 (3rd Dist. 1988)
- Competitive Food Systems, Inc. v. Laser, 170 III. App. 3d 606, 524 N.E.2d 207 (2nd Dist. 1988)
- Shanley v. Barnett, 168 III. App. 3d 799, 523 N.E.2d 60 (1st Dist. 1988)
- Prather v. McGrady, 261 III. App. 3d 880, 634 N.E.2d 299 (1994)
- Brooks v. Brennan, 255 III. App. 3d 260, 625 N.E.2d 1188 (5th Dist. 1994)
- Garcia v. Pinto, 258 III. App. 3d 22, 629 N.E.2d 103 (1993)
- Schechter v. Blank, 254 III. App. 3d 560, 627 N.E.2d 106 (1993)
- Person v. Behnke, 242 III. App. 3d 943, 611 N.E.2d 1350 (1993)
- Beastall v. Madson, 235 II1.App.3d 95, 600 N.E.2d 1323 (1992)
- Klass v. Winstein, Wallace & Doughty, 219 III. App. 3d 817, 579 N.E.2d 365 (1991)
- Sheppard v. Krol, 218 III. App. 3d 254, 578 N.E.2d 212 (1st Dist. 1991)
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- Couri v. Corn, 202 III. App. 3d 848, 560 N.E.2d 379 (3d Dist. 1990)

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- Neal v. Baker, 194 III. App. 3d 485, 551 N.E.2d 704 (5th Dist. 1990)
- Michel v. Gard, 181 III. App. 3d 630, 536 N.E.2d 1375 (3d Dist. 1989)
- Buttitta v. Newell, 176 III. App. 3d 880, 531 N.E.2d 957 (1st Dist. 1988)
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- Goldstein v. Lustig, 154 I11.App.3d 595, 507 N.E.2d 164 (1st Dist. 1987)
- Greene v. First Nat. Bank of Chicago, 162 III. App. 3d 914, 516 N.E.2d 311 (1st Dist. 1987)
- Shehade v. Gerson, 148 III. App. 3d 1026, 500 N.E.2d 510 (1st Dist. 1986)
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- Zupan v. Berman, 142 III. App. 3d 396, 491 N.E.2d 1349 (1st Dist. 1986)
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- Tucek v. Grant, 129 III. App. 3d 236, 472 N.E.2d 563 (2nd Dist. 1984)
- Gruse v. Belline, 138 III. App. 3d 689, 486 N.E.2d 398 (2nd Dist. 1985)
- Heying v. Simonaitis, 126 III. App. 3d 157, 466 N.E.2d 1137 (1st Dist. 1984)
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- Frahm v. Urkovich, 113 III. App. 3d 580, 447 N.E.2d 1007 (1st Dist. 1983)
- Favata v. Rosenberg, 106 III. App. 3d 572, 436 N.E.2d 49 (1st Dist. 1982)
- Connaughton v. Gertz, 94 III. App. 3d 265, 418 N.E.2d 858 (1st Dist. 1981)
- Bankers Trust Co. v. Chicago Title & Trust Co., 89 III. App. 3d 1014, 412 N.E.2d 660 (1st Dist. 1980)
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- Robins v. Lasky, 123 III. App. 3d 194,421 N.E.2d 774 (1st Dist. 1984)
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- Davis v. Ruff, 83 III. App. 3d 651, 404 N.E.2d 405 (1st Dist. 1980)
- Builders Square, Inc. v. Cashmore, 207 III. App. 3d 267, 565 N.E.2d 703 (2nd Dist. 1990)
- Cioni v. Gearhart, 201 III. App. 3d 853, 559 N.E.2d 494 (3rd Dist. 1990)
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- Farm Credit Bank of St. Louis v. Gamble, 197 III. App. 3d 101, 554 N.E.2d 779 (3rd Dist. 1990)
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- Todd v. Katz, 187 III. App. 3d 670, 543 N.E.2d 1066 (2nd Dist. 1989)
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- Levenfeld v. Clinton, 674 F. Supp. 255 (N.D. III. 1987)
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