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James R. Vogler

Partner

Jim is one of the leaders of the firm's automotive group. He is also a senior member of the firm's litigation group and its intellectual property group.

Jim has litigated commercial cases for, and counseled automotive and other franchisor clients, on a broad range of legal issues, including dealer establishment, relocation and termination, market encroachment, warranty reimbursement disputes and policies, national product allocation systems, facility and site control regulation, minority dealer representation programs, advertising regulation, antitrust regulation, franchise transfers, Dealer-Day-in-Court Act claims, gray market trading, dealer and distributor licensing, company-owned dealerships, copyright and trademark infringement, product marketing, and consumer fraud regulation. He has also litigated cases in state and federal courts throughout the country, including actions involving land use planning, tax increment financing, zoning, commercial class actions, trade secrets, restrictive employment covenants, whistleblower employee termination, antitrust claims, lender liability, environmental regulation, condemnations, truth-in-lending claims, and claims under the federal Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act.

News

- Eighteen BFKN attorneys named 2012 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2012)
- Eighteen BFKN attorneys named Top 5% in Illinois by Leading Lawyers (April 2011)
- Seventeen BFKN attorneys named 2011 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2011)
- Thirteen BFKN attorneys named 2010 Leading Lawyers (July 2010)
- Fifteen BFKN attorneys named 2010 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2010)
- Thirteen BFKN attorneys named 2009 Leading Lawyers (February 2009)



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Practices

- Automotive Group
- Litigation
- Intellectual Property

Education

- Southern Illinois University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1977
- Harvard College, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1974

Bar & Court Admissions

- State of Illinois
- U.S. District Court - Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court - Central District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court - Southern District of Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals - 5th Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals - 7th Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

Articles and Publications

- Co-Author, Product Distribution Law Guide (CCH Publishing, 1999)
- Quarterly Review of Automotive Franchise Cases

Charitable and Community Involvement

- Board of Advisors, RISE International