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## PRACTICES

Transportation

Maritime Law

Civil Litigation and Trial

Retail and Hospitality

Commercial Litigation and Arbitration

Employment and Labor

## INDUSTRIES

Transportation

Maritime

Retail and Hospitality

Municipalities and Public Entities

# John M. Allen

**PARTNER**

## EXPERIENCE

John Allen serves as co-chair of Goldberg Segalla's Transportation practice group, a national team focused on meeting all of the legal needs of trucking companies, transportation network companies, maritime operators, logistics companies, and others in the transportation industry. John focuses his practice on defending businesses and their insurers in transportation, catastrophic personal injury, product liability, and employment litigation. He also regularly represents clients in commercial lawsuits throughout the Midwest.

### EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

#### Transportation

John represents motor carriers and their insurers in catastrophic accident cases in Missouri, Illinois and throughout the Midwest. John has tried several cases to verdict on behalf of companies in the transportation industry. His trial successes include securing a defense verdict for a foodservice company accused of providing a defective truck ramp. Demonstrating his creative trial skills, John advised a trucking company to admit fault and try a serious personal injury case on damages alone. That strategic decision paid off, as the jury awarded the four plaintiffs a total of $113,000.00, far less than the plaintiffs' $1.475 million demand. Relying on his experience and training as a certified mediator, John has favorably resolved numerous cases early in the litigation process, often pre-suit, saving his clients the significant expense and uncertainty of trial.

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#### Maritime

John's maritime experience includes representing operators and insurers from the initial accident investigation through trial in maritime cases involving personal injury and property damage in some of the most difficult venues in the country.

### HONORS & AWARDS

- Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Rating: AV Preeminent
- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Workers' Compensation Law – Employers, 2025-27

## BACKGROUND

### ADMISSIONS

- Illinois
- Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Illinois
- U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri

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### EDUCATION

- St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2000
- St. Louis University, B.A., 1996

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Missouri Bar Association
- Illinois Bar Association
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance

## PUBLICATIONS & EVENTS

### PRESENTATIONS

- "How to Dismantle a Nuclear Verdict," 2025 Food Service Risk Management Safety Summit, Denver, CO, April 21-22, 2025
- "Claims Best Practices," 2024 Food Service Risk Management Safety Summit, Arlington, TX, June 4-5, 2024

### WEBINARS

- "Strategies for Defending Against Maritime Industry Claims: OSHA, the Jones Act, and More," (Co-Presenter), GS Webinar Series, February 15, 2022
- "Wading Through the Murky Waters of Jones Act and Longshore Claims," GS Webinar Series, May 19, 2021