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Overview

Park is a senior member of the firm with more than 20 years of experience litigating commercial, business, wrongful death, catastrophic injury, product liability, long-term care, insurance coverage, and utility cases. Park's clients include individuals, business organizations and insurance carriers involved in insurance coverage disputes, high voltage electric distribution corporations, hospitals, long-term care providers, airline companies, railroad corporations, and manufacturers in a variety of industries. Park has successfully represented his clients in state and federal courts throughout Kentucky. See for example: Estate of A. Reichwein v. Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, 397 S.W.3d 413, (Ky. App., 2012).

Park's efforts and results have been recognized by his peers. Park is rated AV-Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell, a distinction he has held since 2011, and is rated 10 out of 10 by AVVO. Park has been chosen for inclusion in Super Lawyers

PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation
- Business Litigation
- Medical Malpractice Law
- Utilities Law

each year since 2012, and was nominated for and admitted into the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel (FDCC) in 2008. Park has served as Kentucky's State Representative for the FDCC since 2009. Park was elected President of the Kentucky Defense Counsel and held that position for an extended term in 2012 to 2013. In 2013, the Defense Research Institute (DRI) awarded Park with its Exceptional Performance Citation for his service.

Park is an active member of the American Bar Association Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section where he serves on the ABA TIPS Law in Public Service Committee and the ABA TIPS Task Force on Corporate Counsel Outreach. Park has served on the DRI Law Practice Management Steering Committee and served as the DRI Law Practice Management Committee's Webcast Chair since for 2014-15. In 2016 Park was nominated and selected for membership in the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC).

Park began his practice in Louisville, Kentucky, where he practiced until 2000. In 2000, Park and his wife, Lana, returned to their hometown of Bowling Green, where, in addition to his practicing law and her position at the Montessori School of Bowling Green, they raise their two daughters.

Credentials

Education

- University of Kentucky College of Law, J.D., 1995
- University of Kentucky, B.B.A. with High Distinction, Departmental Honors in Finance, 1992

Admission

- Kentucky, 1995
- U.S. Supreme Court, 2005
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 1995
- U. S. District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, 1995

Affiliations

- American, Kentucky and Bowling Green-Warren County Bar Associations
- Electric Cooperative Bar Association
- Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, State Representative for Kentucky
- Kentucky Defense Counsel (President, 2012-2013)
- Defense Research Institute, Exceptional Performance Certification, 2012 and 2013; Law Practice Management Committee, Webcast Chair, 2014 to 2015

- ABA TIPS: Diversity Committee, Co-Director of “TIPS CONNECT!” initiative 2013-Present; Task Force on Corporate Counsel Outreach, 2015 to present.
- TIPS Leadership Academy, American Bar Association ,2010 to 2011
- American Bar Association Forum Committee on Air and Space Law
- International Association of Defense Counsel

Community Involvement

- Downtown Redevelopment Authority (Past Director)
- Leadership Bowling Green, 2002
- Plum Tree Montessori School (Past Director)

Insights

News

- Fifteen ELPO Law Attorneys Recognized in 2027 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America
- Eight ELPO Law Attorneys Named 2026 Super Lawyers. One Named Rising Star
- ELPO Law Attorneys Recognized in the 32nd Edition of The Best Lawyers in America©
- ELPO Law Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers in America® and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America.
- Ten ELPO Law Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America© 2024; Five Named Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch
- Eight ELPO Law Attorneys Named 2023 Super Lawyers; One Named Rising Star
- Nine ELPO Law Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers 2023; Five Named Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch
- ELPO Law Partner Park Priest Co-Authors The Meritas US & Canada Cannabis Guide
- Eight ELPO Law Attorneys Named 2021 Super Lawyers; One Named Rising Star
- Seven ELPO Law Attorneys Named 2020 Super Lawyers; Two Named Rising Stars
- Super Lawyers chooses six from ELPO
- Super Lawyers includes 5 from ELPO
- Thirteen attorneys rated AV by Martindale-Hubbell
- Twelve ELPO attorneys rated AV
- Park Priest accepted for ABA leadership program