

# Craig Cappas

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## PARTNER

### Overview

Craig has been practicing law for more than 25 years and in that time he has served as lead counsel in more than 50 jury trials. As chair of the firm's retail team, he represents clients facing premises liability, product liability and retail issues. These include incidents resulting in severe injuries and/or death. Furthermore, he defends allegations of false arrest and malicious prosecution. He works with clients at store level to reduce the risk of future liability, and helps train members of the client's risk team in early evaluation of claims to reduce costs of litigation.

Craig has conducted over two hundred arbitrations and mediations, including full hearings that are binding. He explores all types of alternative dispute resolution methods to reduce the costs and risks for his clients.

### Experience

Obtained a Directed Verdict at Trial for a Fortune 500 Company Against Claims of Property Damage

Defended a Global Retail Company After a Residential Fire

Serves as Litigation Counsel for a National Hotel Chain

Represented a National Auto Parts Store in a Property Damage Lawsuit

### Membership & Involvement

- Member: American Bar Association; Defense Research Institute; Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel

### Honors

- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ rated

### SERVICES

Hospitality, Leisure & Tourism

Product Liability

Retail

### EDUCATION

The John Marshall Law School, J.D., 1993

University of Michigan, B.A., 1988

### ADMISSIONS

Illinois

## Speaking Engagements

USLAW Network Virtual Worldwide Retreat: 2021 and Beyond  
USLAW Network, Webcast, September 30, 2020 - October 9, 2020

## Published Works

State of Illinois Retail and Hospitality Compendium of Law  
*USLAW*, 2020

State of Illinois Retail and Hospitality Compendium of Law  
*USLAW*, 2018

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