



**Daniel S. Kirschner**  
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Daniel S. Kirschner has been a Chicago personal injury and medical malpractice trial lawyer at the law firm of Corboy & Demetrio since 1998. A graduate of Chicago-Kent College of Law, he received the CALI Award for Excellence in the study of medical malpractice while a law student.

Mr. Kirschner represents plaintiffs in catastrophic personal injury and wrongful death litigation at the pretrial, trial and appellate levels in state and federal courts. His practice is concentrated in matters involving aviation disasters, trucking and highway collisions, railroad crossings and derailments, construction mishaps, premises liability, product liability, medical malpractice, motor vehicle negligence, school and governmental liability, public transportation, and toxic tort.

Dan has obtained over \$60 million in verdicts and settlements for his clients. He obtained a \$15.8 million verdict on behalf of a young woman seriously injured in a car crash; a \$10 million settlement for a woman injured when she was hit by a car as she crossed the street; and a \$5.25 million settlement for the estate of a flight attendant killed in a small plane crash.

Dan is an active member of many bar associations. He is a past Co-Chair of the Young Lawyers Committee of the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association and served as an investigator for the Chicago Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Committee. He has organized, moderated, and lectured at numerous continuing legal education seminars for practicing attorneys and is regularly called upon to judge moot court and trial advocacy competitions. Notably, Dan was featured on NBC, Channel 5 News, discussing Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) bus and train accident lawsuits and the legal notice

## Practice Areas

- Aviation Litigation
- Construction Negligence
- Medical Negligence
- Personal Injury & Wrongful Death
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- Railroad Negligence & FELA
- Vehicular Negligence

## Education

- IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, J.D., 1998
- University of Wisconsin, Madison, B.A., 1994

## Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois, 1998
- U.S. Supreme Court, 2006
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, 1998
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 1999
- U.S. District Court, Central Districts of Illinois, 2001
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Trial Bar, 2003

required under Section 41 of the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act. He recently authored an article on the subject, "Navigating Section 41 Notice Requirement," which was published in *Trial Journal* of the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association.

In 2003, Dan was named by the Law Bulletin Publishing Company, which publishes the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin and Chicago Lawyer magazine, to its list of the "40 Under 40 Attorneys to Watch in Illinois." At age 31, Kirschner was the youngest of the 40 recipients. That same year, he received the Young Alumnus Award from the Chicago-Kent Law School Association and he currently serves as President of the Chicago-Kent Alumni Board of Directors.

In 1999, the Illinois Supreme Court appointed Dan to a three-year term as a Commissioner on the Character and Fitness Committee of the Illinois Board of Admissions to the Bar, where he worked tirelessly toward preserving the integrity of the legal profession. His hard work and commitment to the practice was again recognized by the Court in 2002 when it appointed Kirschner to serve on the Illinois Supreme Court Rules Committee, where he continues to serve.

Dan also proudly serves as a member of the Leadership Board of the Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Lend-A-Hand Program, which provides much needed grant support to youth-oriented community service and mentor organizations throughout Chicago.

In 2005, Dan was presented with the President's Award for Advocate of the Year by the American Cancer Society (ACS) for his advocacy efforts in support of the City of Chicago's Comprehensive Indoor Clear Air Ordinance. A member of the Chicago Regional Board of ACS since 2004, he currently serves as Vice-Chair and is an Executive Board Member.

### News

- Attorney Dan Kirschner Discusses How the Economy Has Impacted the Practice and Perception of the Law (December 2009)
- Attorney Kirschner Featured Speaker at Illinois Trial Lawyers Association Seminar (October 9, 2009)
- Corboy & Demetrio - The Leader in Aviation Litigation
- Corboy & Demetrio - Leaders in Bridge and Structural Collapse and Defect Litigation
- Attorney Dan Kirschner Featured Speaker at Illinois Trial Lawyers Association Seminar (March 2009)
- Dan Kirschner Featured on NBC, Channel 5 News, Regarding CTA Notice Requirements for Lawsuits (March 2009)
- Corboy & Demetrio Chicago Personal Injury and Medical Malpractice Lawyers Named to Illinois Super Lawyers (January 2009)
- Daniel Kirschner Obtains \$1.75 Million Settlement for Family of Boy Killed by School Bus (September 2008)
- Corboy & Demetrio Named One of Chicago's Top Law Firms (August 2008)

- \$1.25 Million Settlement for Injured CTA Blue Line Passenger (April 2008)
- All Twelve Partners at Corboy & Demetrio Recognized as 2008 Illinois Super Lawyers (January 2008)
- \$10 Million Settlement for Brain Injured 25 year-old Secured by Daniel Kotin and Daniel Kirschner (February 2007)
- Daniel Kirschner's Article, "Navigating Section 41 Notice Requirement," Published in Trial Journal (2007)
- "Lab School Ties Still Bind Top Alums" (2006)
- Daniel Kirschner Honored as One of Chicago's Top 40 Lawyers Under 40 Years of Age (July 2003)

### Publications

- Navigating Section 41 - CTA Notice Requirement [Trial Journal](#) (January 2008)
- Caps on Damages will Penalize Victims of Medical Malpractice [Chicago Sun-Times](#) (November 2004)

### Honors

- Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Lend-A-Hand Program, Leadership Board
- American Cancer Society, Advocate of the Year, President's Award, 2005
- American Cancer Society, Chicago Regional Community Leadership Board
- Chicago Bar Association, Judicial Evaluation Committee, Investigator, 2003
- "40 Under 40 Illinois Attorneys to Watch," 2003
- IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, CALI Award for Excellence in the Study of Medical Malpractice, 1998
- IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, Alumni Board of Directors
- Illinois Supreme Court Rules Committee, Member
- Illinois Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness, Commissioner, 1999-2002
- Illinois Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2008, 2009, 2010
- IIT Chicago-Kent Law School Association, Young Alumnus Award, 2003
- University of Chicago Laboratory Schools, Alumni Leadership Committee

### Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association (ABA)
- American Association for Justice (AAJ), formerly known as Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA), Scoring Judge, 2003 Student Trial Advocacy Competition; Scoring Judge, 2000 Student Trial Advocacy Competition; Member, Motor Vehicle Collision, Highway and Premises Liability Section, 1999-present
- Chicago Bar Association (CBA), Investigator, Judicial Evaluation Committee, 2003; Fellow, CBA College of Trial Lawyers, 2001; Scoring Judge, 20th Annual Moot Court Competition, 2001; Seminar Planner and Moderator, "Collecting on Judgments", 2001; Special Project Coordinator, Young Lawyers Section, 2001-2002; Executive Counsel, Young Lawyers Section, 2001-2002

- Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA)
- Illinois Trial Lawyers Association (ITLA) Member, Amicus Committee, 1998-present; Co-Chair, Young Lawyers Committee, 2002-2003
- Trial Lawyers for Public Justice
- U.S. Supreme Court Historical Society
- Illinois Supreme Court Rules Committee, 2003-present
- Illinois Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness, Board of Admissions to the Bar, Commissioner: 1999 - 2002

### **Community Involvement**

- 42nd Ward Democratic Party Finance Committee, 2008-present
- Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Lend-A-Hand Program, Leadership Board, 2004-present
- American Cancer Society, Chicago Regional Community Leadership Board, 2004-present; Vice-Chair, 2008-present; Executive Board, 2004-present; Advocacy Committee Chair, 2006-2008, Vice-Chair, 2004-2006
- Chicago Community Trust, Young Leaders Fund, Grant Maker, 2001-2002
- IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, Alumni Board of Directors, President, 2009-present; Member, 2003-present; Executive Board, 2004-present; Scholarship Committee Chair, 2008-present; Fundraising Committee Chair, 2004-2008
- Greater Chicago Food Depository, 13th Annual Bag Hunger Auction, Host Committee, 2006
- Onward Neighborhood House, Gala Committee, 2006
- University of Chicago Laboratory Schools, Alumni Leadership Committee, 2006-present; Annual Giving Chair, 2007-present

### **Seminars & Speeches**

- "How Senior Leaders Adjust to Economic Change and the Impact of Their Decision on You," Young Executives Club, 2009
- "Subrogation, Healthcare Claims," Liens and Settlements Seminar, Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, 2008
- "Privilege Issues," Evidence Seminar, Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, 2007
- "Common Carrier Liability," Update and Review Seminar, Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, 2006
- "Proper Parties, Amended Complaints, Relation Back Doctrine," Civil Litigation Seminar, Illinois State Bar Association, 2006
- "Handling Liens," Settlement on Settlements Seminar, Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, 2004
- "Special Settlement Problems," Past Presidents Seminar, Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, 2004
- "Subrogation and Common Fund Doctrine," Motor Vehicle Cases from A to Z, Illinois State Bar Association, 2003