

## Tom Demetrio Speaker on High Exposure and Complex Tort Litigation at Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel and Illinois Insurance Association Symposium

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Tom Demetrio, name partner at Corboy & Demetrio, was a featured speaker at the "2010 Claims & Defense Tactics Symposium," sponsored by the Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel and the Illinois Insurance Association, on March 25, 2010, at the Marriott Chicago Oak Brook. During his presentation, Demetrio discussed legal trends in high exposure and complex tort litigation. The focus of the symposium was on claims involving multiple parties, complicated issues and ethical concerns.

### Attorney Tom Demetrio

Demetrio is a trial attorney with an emphasis on medical negligence, airplane crash, product liability and commercial litigation on behalf of plaintiffs. He has been involved in many high exposure and complex tort litigation cases, including the Hancock scaffolding case, which settled globally for \$75 million, and a Metra train derailment case where the jury in 2009 awarded the plaintiff \$29.6 million. This verdict was paid.

Tom is Past President of the Chicago Bar Association and Illinois Trial Lawyers Association and is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, International Academy of Trial Lawyers and Inner Circle of Advocates.

He has been listed in *Best Lawyers in America* since its inception in 1987 and was named by the *National Law Journal* as one of the Nation's Top Ten Trial Lawyers. The prestigious *Lawdragon* has called Tom the "powerhouse" of aviation and medical negligence and "the name for everything from medical malpractice claims to aviation disasters. When tragedy strikes, the families of plane crash victims

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have no greater ally." *Lawdragon* also said that he is "Chicago's top trial lawyer" and "stands alone atop the Chicago trial bar."

Tom has done extensive teaching and lecturing worldwide in the field of trial techniques and has authored numerous continuing legal education articles in the field of civil litigation. Tom has acquired over \$130 million in jury verdicts, all of which were paid, including the largest personal injury verdict ever upheld by the Illinois Supreme Court. He has never lost an appeal and has negotiated over \$1 billion in settlements.