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MICHAEL D. MONICO is recognized as one of the premier criminal defense attorneys in the country, representing individuals and corporations in high profile federal criminal and regulatory cases. Mr. Monico began his career as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois from 1973 through 1977. During this time, Mr. Monico served in the Judge Advocate General's Corps (Captain, U.S. Army Reserves, 1975-79). Over the last thirty-six years, Mr. Monico has represented clients in white collar, health care fraud, antitrust, public corruption, mail, wire and securities fraud, and foreign corrupt practices investigations throughout the United States and around the globe. Named as one of "The Best Lawyers in America" from 1991 to the present, among his many honors, Mr. Monico has served as past President of the American Board of Criminal Defense Lawyers and is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers. He recently completed service as the President of the Seventh Circuit Bar Association and he co-authors the only treatise on federal criminal law in the Seventh Circuit, entitled Federal Criminal Practice: A Seventh Circuit Handbook, now in its twelfth edition. He has also published a number of articles on criminal law and is a chapter author in Your Witness: Lessons on Cross Examination.

Mr. Monico has been involved in many notable cases. Recent clients include a former cabinet member under President George W. Bush, executives of a major oil company, and officials in multi-national corporations doing business in Europe, China, Japan and the Middle East. His many victories include the directed finding of acquittal at the conclusion of a ten week trial of a pharmaceutical company executive in a major Medicare fraud prosecution in Boston federal court, three acquittals in antitrust prosecutions in Kansas City, Peoria, and Chicago, and an acquittal of one of the only two lawyers acquitted in the Operation Greylord prosecution that targeted corrupt judges and lawyers in Chicago.

Mr. Monico regularly speaks at seminars on trial advocacy and criminal justice issues throughout the country and has taught trial advocacy at NITA as well as at Chicago area law schools. He has received a number of awards for his expertise in criminal law and trial advocacy. In November 2008, Mr. Monico received A "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the Illinois Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. In July 2012, Mr. Monico was featured in Leading Lawyers Network, a peer-nominated organization, for his expertise in white collar criminal defense. In September 2012, Mr. Monico received the Joel Flaum Award from the Chicago Inn of Court, the highest award given by the Inn.

EDUCATION: J.D., Northwestern University, 1973; B.A., Georgetown University, 1969

BAR ADMISSION: Illinois, 1973

**COURT ADMISSIONS**: U.S. Supreme Court, 1981; U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, 1973; U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 1983; U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 1989; U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, 1973; U.S. District Court, Central District of Illinois, 1983

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- •American Bar Association: Member, White Collar Crime Committee (1985-present), Undercover Operations Subcommittee (1985), Chair, International Criminal Law Committee, Criminal Justice Section (1999-2000)
- •American Board of Criminal Lawyers (invitation only): Past-President (2008), Board of Governors (1997-present)
- •American College of Trial Lawyers (invitation only, 2005)
- •Chicago Bar Association: Board of Managers (2001-03), Chair, Judicial Evaluation Committee, Investigations Division (2000-01)
- •Chicago Inn of Court (invitation only): Master of the Bench (1987-present), Past-President (1993-94)
- •Illinois Attorneys for Criminal Justice: Past-President (1991-92), Board of Directors (1989-91)
- •Illinois State Bar Association: Board of Governors (1987-89), Chair, Criminal Justice Section Council (1986-87), Member, General Assembly (1982-85)
- •International Academy of Trial Lawyers (invitation only, 2008)
- •Legal Club of Chicago: Secretary/Treasurer (1996-97)
- •National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Board of Directors (1989-1991), Advisory Board of *The Champion* (1999-2003), Lawyers' Strike Force Seventh Circuit Coordinator (2000-02)
- •Seventh Circuit Bar Association: Past-President (2010), First Vice President (2009), Secretary (1996-97), Board of Governors (2000 present), General Chairman of the Committee on Criminal Law & Procedure (1994-95)

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

- Federal Criminal Practice: A Seventh Circuit Handbook, co-author, Lexis-Nexis Publishing, 12th edition (2012)
- Your Witness: Lessons on Cross Examination, chapter author, Law Bulletin Publishing (2008)
- •Impeachment in White-Collar Crimes: Practical Ideas & Suggestions, The Champion (March 1999)
- The Supreme Court Turns Insider Trading Inside Out, co-author, The Champion (Dec. 1997)
- •Congress Should Re-Think RICO, co-author, Chicago Lawyer (Sept. 1990)
- Ethical Problems Not Made for Television, co-author, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin (April 1987)
- •Reduction of Sentence Under the Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984, Illinois State Bar Assn. Newsletter (Dec. 1986)
- •New Regime for Reporting of Currency Transactions, The National Law Journal (Jan. 1986)

## LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS:

- Lecturer, NACDL's White Collar Criminal Defense College, Stetson University College of Law, Tampa, Florida (Jan. 2013)
- •Lecturer, NACDL's White Collar Defense Presentation, New York, New York (Nov. 2012)
- •Panelist, PLI's Ethics Programs, Chicago, Illinois (June 2012)
- •Faculty, NACDL's White Collar Criminal Defense College, Stetson University College of Law, Tampa, Florida (Jan. 2012)
- •Panelist, Answering Why Without Asking It: Giving Jurors What They Want to Hear, NACDL Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (2008)
- •The Effective Closing Argument: How to Make them Remember, Indiana CLE Forum (2005)
- Staying on the Right Side of the OIG, 14th Annual Int'l Heart and Vascular Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada (2005)
- The Defense of Medicare Fraud Prosecutions, NADCL Midwinter Meeting, Cancun, Mexico (2003)
- •Medicare Fraud Prosecutions and Defenses, National CLE Conference, Vail, Colorado (2003)
- •Panelist, All Star Cross-Examination Seminar, Chicago Bar and Seventh Circuit Bar Associations, Chicago, Illinois (2002)
- The Defense of Insider Trading Prosecutions, National CLE Conference, Vail, Colorado (2001)
- •Panelist, *The Cooperation Market and the Co-Opting of Criminal Defense Attorneys*, NACDL Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (2000)
- The Art of Cross-Examination, Chicago Inn of Court, Chicago, Illinois (1999)

- •Impeachment in White Collar Cases, NACDL Annual Meeting, Denver Colorado (1998)
- Federalization of State Crime, Seventh Circuit Bar Association Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (1994)
- •Do Numbers Lie?: The Financial Expert, NACDL Fall Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (1993)
- •Cross Examination of Expert Witnesses in Financial Crimes, IACJ Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (1993)
- •Mentors & Whistleblowers: Young Lawyers Ethical Concerns, American Inns of Court Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (1993)
- •Civil Justice Reform, ABA Symposium, San Francisco, California (1992)
- •Closing Argument Making Sense of It, Kane Co. Bar Assn. Criminal Law Committee and IACJ, St. Charles, Illinois (1992)
- •The Federal Sentencing Guidelines for Organizations: Having the Government As Your Partner, ABA Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (1990)
- •Plea Bargaining Practice and Techniques in Federal Court, Illinois CLE, Chicago, Illinois (1988)
- Instructor, Trial Advocacy Course, Chicago Bar Assn. Young Lawyers Section, Chicago, Illinois (1987)
- Ethical Problems for Government Lawyers, ABA, Denver, Colorado (1987)
- Expert Testimony, Chicago Bar Assn. Young Lawyers Section, Chicago, Illinois (1987)
- •Money Laundering: Present State of the Law, Illinois State Bar Assn., Geneva, Illinois (1987)
- •Moderator, New Horizons in the Federal Courts, NACDL, Chicago, Illinois (1986)
- •Recent Changes in Federal Criminal Legislation, Illinois State Bar Assn., Maywood and Rockford, Illinois (1986)
- •Representing Corporations and Their Employees in Agency and Grand Jury Investigations, ABA Symposium, Chicago, Illinois (1985)
- •Effects of the 1984 Comprehensive Crime Control Act on the Business Community, ABA, Washington, D.C. (1985)
- •Governmental Intervention with the Attorney-Client Relationship, Georgian Assn. of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Jekyll Island, Georgia (1985)
- •Obstruction of Justice and Ethical Problems, Practicing Law Institute, Chicago, Illinois (1985)
- •Handling the Criminal Case in Federal Court, Chicago Bar Assn. Young Lawyers Section, Chicago, Illinois (1984)
- •Undercover Investigations Involving the Judicial Process, ABA, Chicago, Illinois (1984)
- •Civil Rights Implications of Operation Greylord and Related Controversies, Chicago Bar Association, Chicago, Illinois (1984)