

Gary Feldon

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With nearly twenty years' experience representing clients in high-stakes civil litigation, veteran litigator Gary Feldon is known for his cool head and exceptional judgment in a crisis. Whether in court or in his writing, Gary excels at crafting and communicating compelling arguments. Clients appreciate his creative solutions to thorny problems and his relentless advocacy on their behalf.

Gary's practice focuses on complex litigation, pharmaceutical and medical device, products liability, and toxic tort matters. He was a member of the trial team that secured a complete defense verdict in a 28-day bellwether jury trial in the Circuit Court for Cook County, Illinois, involving cancer allegations related to claimed exposure to ethylene oxide emitted from a medical device sterilization facility. During the trial, he wrote dispositive motions, argued evidentiary issues, drafted direct and cross examinations, and helped prepare corporate and expert witnesses to testify.

Gary has also been a key player in the firm's representation of pharmaceutical companies in coordinated and consolidated proceedings alleging personal injuries from FDA-approved medications.

To better serve his clients, Gary frequently writes and speaks on important and emerging issues in complex litigation and mass torts. He is a recognized authority on federal multidistrict litigation (MDL) in addition to his work on the science and law related to PFAS claims. Within the PFAS space, Gary focuses on claims concerning consumer products and contamination claims, including under the Clean Water Act and CERCLA.

Prior to joining the firm, Gary served as a trial attorney at the Federal Programs Branch of the U.S. Department of Justice, where he defended the United States as lead counsel in more than thirty complex, high-impact, civil matters arising under the U.S. Constitution, the Administrative Procedure Act, the Freedom of Information Act, federal anti-discrimination laws, and other federal statutes. Matters on which he worked include defending the Department of Agriculture against multiple class actions and representing federal agencies as third parties in the National Prescription Opiate

Litigation and 3M Combat Arms Earplug Products Liability Litigation. At the Department of Justice, Gary additionally served a detail with the Antitrust Division to investigate potential unfair competition in Big Tech.

Gary also worked as an assistant attorney general in the D.C. Office of the Attorney General's Equity Section, serving as lead counsel for the District of Columbia in major civil litigation. Among other matters, he won summary judgment on two putative class actions alleging employment discrimination by current and former District of Columbia employees.

Following law school, Gary clerked for the Honorable Edward E. Carnes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. During law school, he was Executive Articles Editor for the *Emory International Law Review*.

Outside of the office, Gary trains in Brazilian jiu-jitsu (in which he holds a brown belt), solves crossword puzzles, and spends time with his family.

Services

Complex Litigation
Pharmaceutical & Medical Device
Products Liability & Toxic Torts

Education

Emory University School of Law (J.D., 2007, *with high honors, Order of the Coif*)
Columbia University (B.A., 2004)

Admissions

District of Columbia
New York

Accolades

- U.S. Attorney General's Special Commendation Award, American Rescue Plan Act Equal Protection Litigation Team, 2021
- U.S. Attorney General's Special Commendation Award, Oversight Litigation Team, 2021
- U.S. Attorney General's Special Commendation Award, Title X Litigation Team, 2018
- Attorney General for the District of Columbia's Exemplary Service Award, 2014