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Annie Bode Callahan focuses her practice on litigation. She defends companies in complex litigation matters, with an emphasis on product liability and toxic torts. She actively participates in all of the various phases of litigation in both state and federal court, including developing defense strategies, motion practice, discovery, trial preparation, and settlement. Deposing fact and expert witnesses is a regular part of Annie's practice, as is the selection and retention of expert witnesses and the steps associated with disclosing them and presenting them for deposition. She has significant experience briefing and successfully arguing motions to exclude expert opinions (*Daubert* motions) in federal court, including the opinions of industrial hygienists, safety engineers, and physicians. In addition, Annie has experience with the day-to-day handling and coordinating of the regional complex product liability litigation on behalf of a national client.

Annie's aggressive approach to the defense of her clients has helped result in the dismissal of actions, favorable settlements, and summary judgment. For example, she was responsible for the briefing that resulted in summary judgment in favor of a national safety products manufacturer in a complex product liability case in federal court on grounds that the plaintiff's claim was barred by the statute of limitations. She has also successfully defended against summary judgment motions in federal court based on allegations that her client's products violated federal government regulations.

Annie is licensed to practice law in Missouri and Illinois. She attended Saint Louis University School of Law on a full scholarship as an 1843 Scholar. She received her bachelor's degree, *with honors*, from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas, where she majored in biology and economics.

**Primary Practice Areas**

- Litigation
- Product Liability/Toxic Tort

**Bar Admissions**

- United States District Court, Eastern District of Missouri, 2010
- Supreme Court of Missouri, 2008
- Supreme Court of Illinois, 2009

**Education & Academic Honors**

- J.D., Saint Louis University School of Law, 2008
- B.S., *with honors*, Biology and Economics, Minors in French and Environmental Studies, Trinity University, 2002

- Saint Louis University School of Law 1843 Scholar

#### **Professional Associations**

- American Bar Association
- The Missouri Bar
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- Illinois State Bar Association

#### **Representative Cases or Transactions**

- *Savage v. Mine Safety Appliances Company*, 2010 WL 4000620 (E.D. Mo.)
- *Firebaugh v. 3M Company and Mine Safety Appliances*, 2010 WL 3942005 (E.D. Mo.)

#### **Community Service & Awards**

- Girls on the Run, St. Louis

#### **Employment History**

- Lashly & Baer, P.C.  
Associate, 2008-Present  
Law Clerk, 2007-2008  
Saint Louis University School of Law  
Faculty Fellow, 2006