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PRACTICE AREAS

Contaminants & Toxic Tort
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COURT MEMBERSHIPS

- Missouri

EDUCATION

University of Missouri-Kansas
City School of Law, J.D., 2006

- Magna Cum Laude,

University of Texas-Houston
Health Science Center, M.S.,
Cancer and Cellular Biology,
2003

Saint Louis University, B.A.,
Chemistry, 2000

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Eric Swan focuses his practice on defending Fortune 500 companies in complex litigation involving product liability and environmental claims, significant mass tort actions, including multi-district litigation, and commercial disputes. He has significant experience representing clients in pharmaceutical and medical device product liability claims. Eric has played a key role in multiple trial teams that achieved defense verdicts and favorable outcomes in courts across the country. He has also played key roles on teams that achieved favorable *Daubert* rulings in mass torts in both state and federal courts. With his scientific background, Eric has helped clients and expert witnesses successfully navigate the technical issues defendants face in high-stakes litigation.

Eric has successfully argued jurisdictional and preemption motions in the United States Courts of Appeals for the Ninth and Tenth Circuits.

In addition, Eric has frequently led regulatory risk assessments by advising companies on changes to product labeling and developing strategies to address complex scientific issues.

Eric brings a unique perspective to each matter, having served as Unit Lead of Complex Litigation for the Consumer Protection Section at the Missouri Attorney General's Office. In that role, he worked on the opioid litigation and other consumer protection focused cases.

Publications

- Co-Author, *Defending Against Pandemic-Related Lawsuits*, Ingram's Magazine, May 2020
- Featured, *Lawyer makes jump from Missouri AG's office to Lathrop Gage*, Kansas City Business Journal, April 2019

- Author, *The Abuse of Biological Plausibility as a Factor*, For the Defense, September 2013
- Author, *The Akt Inhibitor KP372-1 Inhibits Proliferation and Induces Apoptosis and Anoikis in Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck*, *Oral Oncology*, 2006, 42(4): p.430-9.
- Author, *Acquisition of Anoikis Resistance Is a Critical Step in the Progression of Oral Tongue Cancer*, *Oral Oncology*, 2003, 39(7): p.648-55.
- Author, *Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor Blockade Potentiates Apoptosis Mediated by Paclitaxel and Leads to Prolonged Survival in a Murine Model of Oral Cancer*, *Clinical Cancer Research*, 2003, 9(8): p.3183-89.
- Author, *Accelerated HER-2 Degradation Enhances Ovarian Tumor Recognition by CTL. Implications for Tumor Immunogenicity*, *Molecular & Cell Biochemistry*, 2001, 217(1-2): p.21-33.

In The News

- Ingram's Magazine Features Article by Mara Cohara and Eric Swan on COVID-19 Related Lawsuits
May 2020
- Business Class News Interviews Mara Cohara and Eric Swan on Mitigating Litigation Risks as Businesses Reopen
May 14, 2020
- FoodNavigator-USA Quotes Eric Swan on COVID-19 Liability of Food Manufacturers and Retailers
May 13, 2020
- Yahoo Finance Features Eric Swan on Potential Rise in Litigation
April 28, 2020
- Eric Swan Talks to The Kansas City Business Journal on His Move to Lathrop Gage
April 19, 2019

News Releases

- Former Head of Complex Litigation for Missouri Attorney General's Office Joins Lathrop Gage
April 18, 2019

Professional Affiliations

- Defense Research Institute

- International Association of Defense Counsel, Trial Academy Graduate
- Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association
- The Missouri Bar