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### PLAINTIFF VERDICTS, SETTLEMENTS AND BENCH JUDGMENTS IN 2009

<b>1</b>	<b>\$89 million</b> VERDICT	<b>WRONGFUL DEATH</b> <i>Hodge v. Zerna</i>	<b>FRANLIN COUNTY</b> Judge Cynthia Eckelkamp	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Steve Bronson and Mark Bronson	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Kevin Clark
<b>2</b>	<b>\$65 million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>MUNICIPAL TAXES</b> <i>State of Missouri v. SBC Communications Inc.</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS CITY</b> Judge Edward Sweeney John W. Hoffman, Stephen Tillery, Douglas R. Sprong, Steven A. Katz	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> John F. Mulligan Jr., Howard Paperner, Sharon Rosenberg, John Medler	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Stephen Higgins, Amanda Hettinger,
<b>3</b>	<b>\$42 million</b> BENCH AWARD	<b>CONTRACTS</b> <i>President Casinos Inc. v. Columbia Sussex Corp.</i>	<b>U.S. DISTRICT COURT, EDMO</b> Judge Henry Autrey	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Joseph D. Pizzurro, John C. Balzano, Nancy E. Delaney, Priya Swaminathan, Shannon McNulty, Timothy N. McCabe, James W. Erwin, Lawrence C. Friedman, Mark V. Bossi	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Brian Walsh, Gregory Willard, David Luce, Gerard Carmody, Kevin Murphy
<b>4</b>	<b>\$18 million</b> BENCH AWARD	<b>CONTRACTS</b> <i>Tiburzi v. Holmes Transport Inc.</i>	<b>U.S. DISTRICT COURT, EDMO</b> Judge David Noce	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> James Whaley	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Gary Wiseman
<b>5</b>	<b>\$16.8 million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>BUSINESS FRAUD</b> <i>Seaboard Corp. v. Grindrod Limited</i>	<b>JACKSON COUNTY</b> Judge Sandra Midkiff	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Patrick Stueve, Rachel Schwartz	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> John Kimball, Richard Modin Robert Jester
<b>6</b>	<b>\$15.3 million</b> VERDICT	<b>MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION</b> <i>Wei Wu v. Ryder Truck Rental Inc.</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS CITY</b> Judge Thomas Grady	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Michael Stokes	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Byron Bowles, Daniel Rabbitt, Anne Warren, Willie Epps Jr.
<b>7</b>	<b>\$15 million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION</b> <i>Wombacher, as class representative. v. American Heritage Life Ins</i>	<b>JACKSON COUNTY</b> Judge Michael Mannersy	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Gregory Leyh, Christopher Miller	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Phillip Stano, Robert Hoffman, Cathy Dean
<b>8</b>	<b>\$12 million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>WRONGFUL DEATH</b> <i>Davis v. Boardwalk Apartments, L.C.</i>	<b>JACKSON COUNTY</b>	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Michael S. Ketchmark, Andrew J. Nantz	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> William Crawford, Jennifer Price
<b>9</b>	<b>\$10 million</b> BENCH AWARD	<b>PERSONAL INJURY</b> <i>Kendall v. Kendall</i>	<b>JACKSON COUNTY</b> Judge Joel May	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Scott A. McCreight, Michael S. Ketchmark	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> John Graham Jr., Pamela Brown, Patrick Fanning
<b>10</b>	<b>\$9.5 million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>PERSONAL INJURY</b> <i>Confidential v. Confidential</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS CITY</b> Brendan Ryan (Mediator)	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> John G. Simon, Rachel L. Roman, Stephanie H. To, Daniel T. Ryan, Matthew Rossiter	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Confidential
<b>11</b>	<b>\$7.3 million</b> BENCH AWARD	<b>HARASSMENT</b> <i>Doe HL v. Doe JW</i>	<b>JACKSON COUNTY</b> Judge Roger Prokes	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Rebecca Randles, Luis Mata, Dan Curry	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Beth Boggs
<b>12</b>	<b>\$6.2 million</b> VERDICT/ SETTLEMENT	<b>CONTRACTS</b> <i>Costco Wholesale Corp. v. Midwest Engineering Services Inc. and BW. Builders Inc</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS CITY</b> Judge James Hartenbach	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Steven Cockriel	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Edward Meyer, Lawrence Grebel
<b>13</b>	<b>\$6.1 million</b> VERDICT	<b>WRONGFUL DEATH</b> <i>Blankenship v. SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS CITY</b> Judge Lisa Van Amburg	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> David Zevan, Kevin Davidson	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Kenneth Broston, Wendy Wolff
<b>14</b>	<b>\$5.6 million</b> VERDICT	<b>BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY</b> <i>Smith v. Shocker</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS COUNTY</b> Judge Carolyn Whittington	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Robert Selsor, Alice Dickherber	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Vince Vogler
<b>15</b>	<b>\$5 (tie) million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION</b> <i>Gatson v. Dohrn Transfer Co.</i>	<b>LIVINGSTON COUNTY</b> William Sanders (mediator)	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> James A. Montee, Gale H. Carpenter	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Brett Williams, Lawrence Grebel
<b>15</b>	<b>\$5 (tie) million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>WRONGFUL DEATH</b> <i>Bradford v. Seeler</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS COUNTY</b> Judge Thomas Prebil	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Morry S. Cole, Joan Lockwood	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> Charles Sindel
<b>15</b>	<b>\$5 (tie) million</b> VERDICT	<b>PERSONAL INJURY</b> <i>Kennedy v. Dart Advantage Warehousing Inc.</i>	<b>U.S. DISTRICT COURT, EDMO</b> Judge John Stohr	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Mark Floyd	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> James Foland, Patricia Mullins-Freeman
<b>15</b>	<b>\$5 (tie) million</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>FDCPA VIOLATION</b> <i>Lange, individually and on behalf of all others similarly-situated v. American First financial Inc.</i>	<b>ST. LOUIS COUNTY</b> Judge John Ross	<b>WINNING ATTORNEYS</b> Max G. Margulis, Brian J. Wanca, Philip A. Bock	<b>OPPOSING COUNSEL</b> J. Richard McEachern