

George Bellas has been involved in complex business litigation, auto products liability cases, and class actions across the country. He was a recipient of the Steven Sharp Public Service Award by the Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA) for his work in rollover litigation. George has served as a panelist for The Sedona Conference and currently serves on the 7th Circuit e-Discovery Committee and is a certified mediator for the 7th Circuit Electronic Discovery Voluntary E-Mediation program. Since 2006, he has lectured nationally on the uses of e-discovery, the changes to the rules regarding e-discovery, and how e-discovery is changing the pre-trial paradigm.

George has been a Partner at Bellas & Wachowski in Park Ridge, Illinois since 1992. He is also the founder of the Attorneys Creative Roundtable, which is a peer advisory group that helps lawyers adapt to the changes in the practice of law to build a 21st Century practice. Participants attend from across the U.S.

George earned his B.S. in Psychology at Loyola University in 1971 and his J.D. at Loyola University School of Law in 1973. He is admitted to practice in Illinois, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Federal Trial Bar. He is also admitted *Pro Hac Vice* in Indiana, Wisconsin, Connecticut, Washington DC, Ohio, New York, Arizona, South Carolina, Texas and Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

Scott Carlson is a partner at Seyfarth Shaw LLP where he Chairs the firm's eDiscovery and Information Governance Group and Co-Chairs the firm's Global Privacy and Security Team. He graduated from the University of Illinois with a BS in Computer Science and Mathematics (1987) and graduated from Southern Illinois University with a JD summa cum laude (1995). Mr. Carlson is a frequent speaker across the country on topics of eDiscovery, records information management, privacy, and information security.

Timothy J. Chorvat is a partner in Jenner & Block's London and Chicago offices. Mr. Chorvat focuses his practice on complex financial disputes, including securities, class action and bankruptcy-related litigation and arbitration proceedings. He is dual-qualified as a solicitor in England and Wales and an attorney in Illinois. Mr. Chorvat has served as Chair of the Illinois State Bar Association's Civil Practice & Procedure Section Council and the ISBA's Assembly Governance Committee, as well as the Working Group on Electronic Evidence of the American Bar Association's Cyberspace Law Committee. He also serves as website co-chair of the Seventh Circuit Electronic Discovery Pilot Program committee. Mr. Chorvat is an author of the chapters on Class Actions and Derivative Actions in *Moore's Federal Practice* and has written numerous articles, treatise sections, and book chapters on cutting-edge litigation issues, including the preservation and use of electronically stored information. Mr. Chorvat graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Michigan Law School in 1986, where he served on the Michigan Law Review and was elected to the *Order of the Coif*. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Northwestern University in 1983, where he was chosen to be a member of *Phi Beta Kappa*. From 1988 to 1989, he was an Assistant Professor of Law at the IIT Chicago Kent College of Law. Mr. Chorvat joined Jenner & Block in 1986.

Harrison A. Cohen is an associate attorney with Bollinger Connolly Krause, LLC. Mr. Cohen focuses his practice in civil litigation defending individuals and businesses against claims of premises liability, products liability, construction liability, wrongful death, and medical malpractice. He also defends medical professionals who provide care within the Illinois Department of Corrections in both civil rights and medical malpractice lawsuits.

Prior to joining Bollinger, Connolly, Krause, Mr. Cohen was an Assistant Attorney General with the Office of the Illinois Attorney General in Springfield, Illinois. There he handled numerous federal lawsuits in the United States District Courts for the Central and Southern Districts of Illinois and gained extensive trial experience. Mr. Cohen has taken four federal jury trials to verdict each time returning a successful defense verdict for his client.

Mr. Cohen graduated from Southern Illinois University School of Law in 2014. During law school, he received CALI awards for the top grade in his class in Trial Advocacy, Law Practice Management and Electronic Discovery. Mr. Cohen was a member of his law school's trial team and competed nationally in trial advocacy competitions.

Michael D. Gifford has practiced labor and employment law and litigation in Central Illinois for over 25 years. He received his J.D., *cum laude*, from Southern Illinois University School of Law in December 1980, where he was a Law Review editor, and also served as a Special Investigator for the Illinois Attorney General's Office.

Mr. Gifford regularly advises and represents clients on a wide variety of employment issues, including hiring, testing, record keeping, discipline and discharge, discrimination, retaliation, collective bargaining and wage and hour matters. He also counsels clients and other attorneys on matters involving all facets of electronically stored information ("ESI"), including forensics, litigation holds and related issues, as well as discovery, production, preservation and retention of ESI, commonly called eDiscovery. Mr. Gifford has worked with clients and counsel on eDiscovery issues in numerous areas of substantive law. Mr. Gifford also writes policies and procedures related to general employment and eDiscovery issues, as well as issues arising from employee use of social networking sites, such as Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

Mr. Gifford is a frequent speaker before legal and human resources groups and management seminars, addressing topics including eDiscovery and related issues, employee use of social networking sites, harassment, discrimination and retaliation, discipline and discharge, wage and hour and other issues. He has also taught law related classes at Illinois Central College and Bradley University.

Mr. Gifford is admitted to practice and has represented clients on employment matters before all of Illinois' courts, including the Illinois Supreme Court, as well as the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court. He also regularly represents clients before the Illinois Human Rights Commission, Illinois Department of Human Rights, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, U.S. Department of Labor, National Labor Relations Board, Illinois Department of Labor, Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Illinois Department of Employment Security.

Mr. Gifford has served as Vice Chairman of the City of Peoria Personal Appeals Board, a Director of the Peoria County Bar Association, and is the Past President of The Abraham Lincoln Court. He has been selected as an Illinois Leading Lawyer for management representation in employment matters for 2005 - 2016. Mr. Gifford is also the Membership Committee Co-Chair of the 7th Circuit eDiscovery Pilot Program

Robert Hanaford has instructed State, Local and Federal law enforcement officials in Police Liability and control tactics, weapon retention and defensive tactics. He has instructed through the State of Illinois Northeast Multi Regional Training Center (NEMERT), the Major Crime Assist Team (MCAT) and has been an Assistant Judo Instructor for the Chicago Police Judo Club for 20 years.

His practice includes representing clients in complex injury and commercial cases in State and Federal Courts and before State and Federal Agencies, including the Federal Aviation Administration, National Transportation Safety Board and Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission.

Robert was co-lead counsel in the Fox River Grove train-school bus collision which was the largest and most complex lawsuit in McHenry County history. On October 25, 1995 a Chicago bound commuter train slammed into the rear of a school bus in Fox River Grove, Illinois. Seven children were killed and many more injured. The lawsuit filed against the rail road, school district, transportation agency and traffic signal maintenance companies lasted nearly 10 years and resulted in about 37 million dollars in compensation. Rail safety has significantly changed since the Fox River Grove tragedy. Railroad and traffic intersections now have near side signals and longer warning times to prevent vehicles from becoming trapped on railroad crossings.

Robert has a pilot certificate and was appointed panel attorney for the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association where he represents and counsels clients on issues involving Federal Aviation Administration and National Transportation Safety Board regulations.

Mr. Hanaford's community and professional involvement includes appointment by former Governor Jim Edgar to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Review Board in 1993, a position he continues to hold; two terms on the Board of Trustees for the Village of Fox River Grove (1989-1995) and Chairman of the Villages Public Health and Safety Committee; Chairman of the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) Civil Practice & Procedure Council (2004-2005); Co-Editor of the ISBA Trial Brief newsletter and the ISBA Insurance Policy newsletter; Editor of the ISBA Civil Practice Update Manual; and Co-author of the Illinois Trial Lawyers' Association Medical Malpractice Trial Handbook.

James E. Hanlon, Jr. is the Director of Client Services for Novus Law LLC, a Chicago-based alternative legal services provider that helps clients find, document and deliver the story in litigation, investigations and other large or complex legal matters. Jim is a former trial partner with two Am Law 100 firms (Katten Muchin Rosenman and Howrey LLP) where he handled complex commercial litigation and regulatory matters for more than 25 years. He is a member of the Seventh Circuit's E Discovery Pilot Program Committee, a member of five bar associations (American Bar Association, Chicago Bar Association, Chicago Council of Lawyers, Women's Bar Association, and the Northwest Suburban Bar Association), as well as a Bronze Fellow of the Illinois State Bar Foundation.

Jim received a Bachelor of Science degree from DePaul University (1981) and a Juris Doctor, with honors, from DePaul University College of Law (1984), where he served on the Law Review. He is admitted to practice law in Illinois.

Jeffrey Hartman is a co-founder of 4Discovery and a partner in the firm. Jeff has been a leader in the corporate security, computer forensics and investigative community for over twenty-five years. As a partner with 4Discovery, Jeff consults clients on complex litigation and Information Security issues and how they can increase the effectiveness of investigations through digital forensics. Earlier in his career, Jeff lead the worldwide Intellectual Property Protection function for USRobotics, Palm Computing, and the 3Com Corporation, developing IP protection programs in over 15 countries. Jeff has managed hundreds of investigations and Trade Secret Breach engagements for Fortune 500 companies and attorneys and is a frequent speaker. Jeff is also a licensed Private Investigator (IL), and has a B.A. Degree in Law Enforcement Administration from Western Illinois University.

Hon. Nan R. Nolan (Ret.) presided over numerous complex federal cases at every phase of civil litigation during her 14 years as a U.S. Magistrate Judge. Her work on these cases ranged from supervision of pretrial discovery and mediation in settlement conferences, to presiding over bench and jury trials where parties had consented to her jurisdiction.

From the earliest days of her judicial career, Judge Nolan emphasized mediation and settlement as a primary means of resolving disputes. She mediated over 1,500 cases while on the federal court. Her unique ability to empathize with individuals from all walks of life enables her to keep a dialogue open in heated disputes.

Judge Nolan is a national recognized expert in electronic discovery and co-founded the Seventh Circuit's E-Discovery Pilot Program. Her many lectures and workshops on E-discovery over recent years reflect her philosophy that cooperation between parties is the principal avenue to mutually beneficial solutions.

Judge Nolan earned her B.S. (Sociology) at Loyola University in 1965 and her J.D. at DePaul University College of Law in 1975.

Jason K. Priebe is a Senior Counsel in Seyfarth Shaw's Chicago office and is the Mid-West regional manager for Seyfarth's eDiscovery and Information Governance (eDIG) group. Seyfarth's eDIG group consists of eleven full-time, dedicated electronic discovery attorneys with technical computer and computer forensic expertise.

Mr. Priebe's practice focuses on issues involved in electronic discovery preparedness, planning, and execution, as well as information privacy, information governance and data security. He routinely provides legal consultation and advice to several large and diverse corporations and organizations regarding the design and implementation of electronic discovery programs, including the development of policies and procedures for efficiently and defensibly preserving, collecting and producing electronically stored information (ESI). His experience includes serving as in-house counsel for a large Property and Casualty insurer, where he advised on issues involving litigation hold administration and electronic data discovery process and policy. Mr. Priebe has extensive litigation and jury trial experience in a broad range of substantive areas, including individual and commercial insurance claims, subrogation, and insurance coverage disputes. Since 2005, his practice has focused on eDiscovery, corporate compliance, and information governance. His eDiscovery litigation experience has ranged from intellectual property and commercial cases involving a small number of data points and data custodians, to several nationwide multi-district and class action case involving several hundred individuals, complicated multilayered structured active and legacy database and storage environments, and many terabytes of potentially relevant information. He has also managed and coordinated ESI preservation and productions on behalf of several large corporations in response to regulatory agency and law enforcement investigations and informational requests. Mr. Priebe is a member of the Sedona Conference, and a participant in the Sedona Working Group on International Electronic Information Management, Discovery and Disclosure.

Kristofer S. Riddle earned his B.A. at The City College of New York City-CUNY and his Juris Doctor at DePaul University College of Law. He is an Associate Attorney at Clifford Law Office in Chicago where he concentrates his practice in the areas of Maritime Law, Personal Injury, Premises Liability, Qui Tam / Whistleblower, and Transportation Liability.

As a personal injury attorney and wrongful death attorney, Kristofer Riddle comes to Clifford Law Offices with a wealth of experience. Having clerked at the firm for three years while attending DePaul University College of Law, he worked on many aspects of personal injury and wrongful death litigation. Immediately after being sworn in as a lawyer, he took depositions, attended court hearings and worked on cases as complicated as for those injured on the Costa Concordia cruise ship liner that ran aground off the coast of Italy. Kris is working with Italian co-counsel in sorting through the myriad of laws that are involved in seeking justice for the victims from many countries who suffered through that terrible tragedy.

Kris is no stranger to the hard work it takes to be a successful wrongful death and personal injury attorney. Previously, he worked in the Masters of Public Policy program at Duke University's Terry Sanford Institute of Public Policy in Durham, North Carolina. His work at Duke University actually began years before when he acted as a liaison between the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School and 60 different academic departments regarding admissions, application and the dissertation process. Multi-tasking and thinking on his feet have become honed skills for Kris.

His kindhearted nature makes him perfect for his position in personal injury and wrongful death cases - an attorney who handles clients with the sensitivity that is required yet the commitment to researching and crafting a response and strategy that works well with each case. Kris grew up on Chicago's south side and attended Mt. Carmel High School. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from The City College of New York City-CUNY, but not before winning writing awards. He also received the Marvin Rosenberg Fellowship in Public Policy awarded by the City College of New York Public Affairs program and was a McNair scholar. Kris received his Juris Doctor from DePaul University College of Law. He is married to his wife, Elizabeth, who is also an attorney, and the two live in Chicago.

Kris Riddle is a tremendous addition to the wrongful death and personal injury attorneys at Clifford Law Offices, and we look forward to him making enormous contributions to the team throughout the years.

Patrick Schweih is passionate about the use of new technologies for the legal industry. Patrick is the Vice President of Customer Solutions at Page Vault and helps legal professionals capture website evidence with Page Vault.

Patrick holds a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Notre Dame and a JD from the Chicago-Kent College of Law. Patrick is a licensed attorney in Illinois, and is a member of the Northern District of Illinois General Bar. He is also licensed to practice before the US Patent and Trademark Office. Patrick is a selected member of INTA Internet committee. Patrick practiced Intellectual Property law in Chicago for several years before establishing his own legal consulting practice to help luxury brands find and prosecute counterfeits of their products online.