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## Sandberg Phoenix Featured in Three of Missouri's 2014 Top Verdicts

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PRACTICE GROUP: HEALTH LAW

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Sandberg Phoenix's Health Law practice group has received recognition for its tremendous success in 2014, during which attorneys defended clients against major medical malpractice claims. In three Missouri cases alone, a total of \$16,369,000 was sought from Sandberg Phoenix clients. Defense wins in each of these cases earned the firm 5th, 13th and 15th places on *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*'s annual list of top defense verdicts.

In *Bradshaw v. Mercy Clinic*, attorneys Ken Bean and Bobbie Moon CNM, received a defense verdict for an OB–GYN defendant after a three week trial in Phelps County, Missouri. This was a highly complex obstetrical case, in which Plaintiffs alleged failure to obtain informed consent, failure to properly interpret fetal monitoring strips and failure to perform a timely caesarian section. With Plaintiffs seeking pecuniary damages of \$13.46 million, the jury returned a verdict for the defense.

Attorneys Rodney Sharp and Dennis Harms successfully defended *Meyers v McCarthy*, another complex medical malpractice claim, in St. Louis County. In this case, the Plaintiff alleged a failure to diagnose and treat a benign spinal lesion, causing bladder and bowel incontinence and erectile dysfunction. Plaintiff's counsel demanded the available insurance policy limits before trial. After rejecting the demand, our attorneys obtained a defense verdict from the jury.

Tullock v. Success Health Corp., et al. involved a medical negligence/wrongful death claim against a client defended by John Sandberg and Sara Obermark. The Plaintiffs alleged the defendants failed to timely diagnose and treat an ascending aortic aneurysm after the decedent presented to the ER with complaints of abdominal pain. Our attorneys received a unanimous defense verdict on behalf of our client. The lowest demand from Plaintiff's counsel was \$2.2 million.

"We have been fortunate to develop strong relationships with many healthcare providers throughout St. Louis and the Midwest," says Sandberg Phoenix Managing Partner John Sandberg. "And our commitment has always been to provide extraordinary service in the pursuit of our clients' goals and best interests. We're proud of our achievements in 2014 and look to build on this success in 2015 and beyond."

Sandberg Phoenix has handled more than 5,000 malpractice suits, defending hospitals, physicians, nurses, nursing homes and other healthcare institutions and providers throughout Missouri and Illinois. Over the past 35 years, we have earned our reputation for having the most experienced, talented and resourceful medical malpractice defense attorneys.