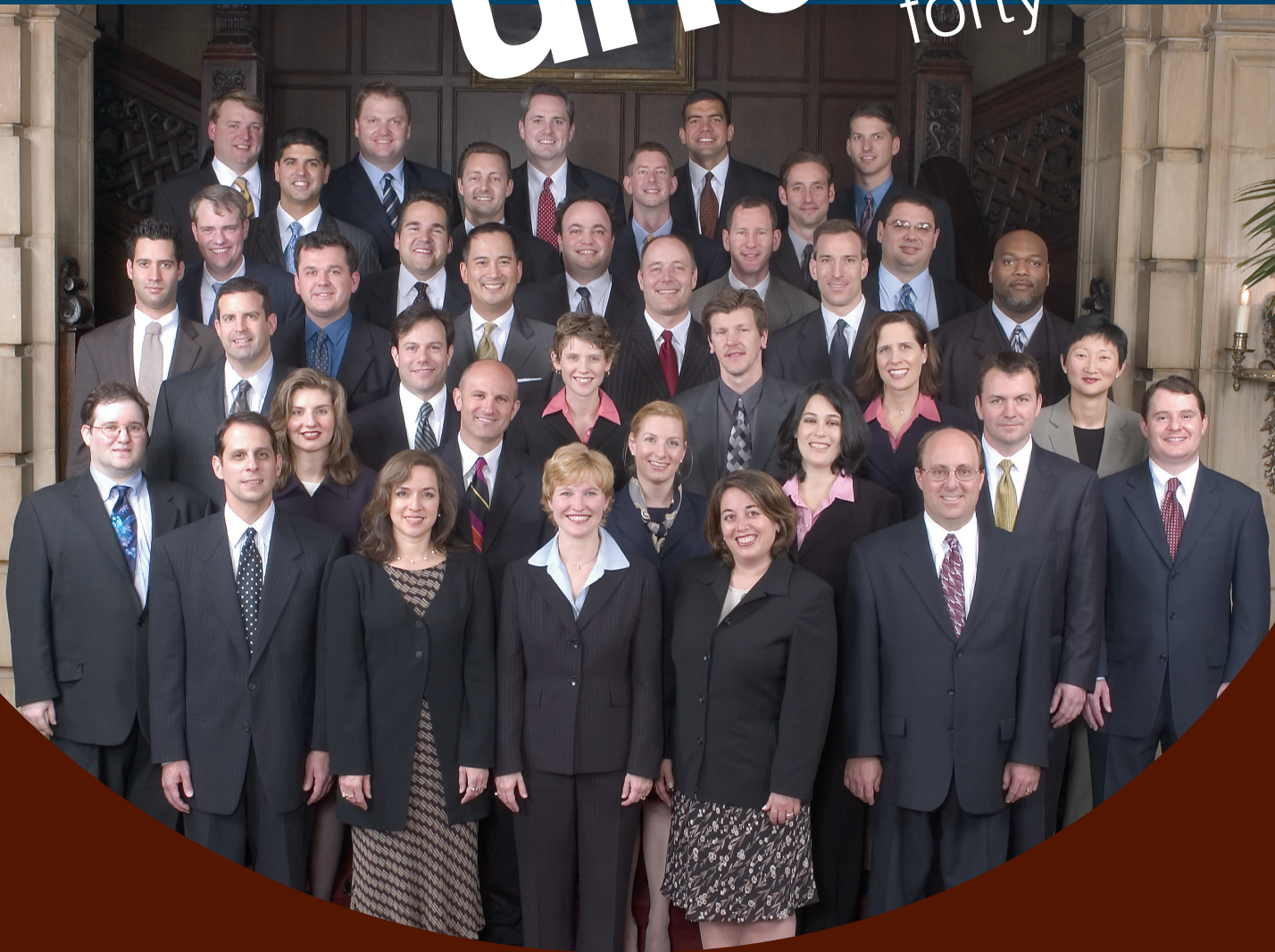


# 2005 40 under forty



  
**2005**

40 ILLINOIS ATTORNEYS UNDER FORTY TO WATCH

Law Bulletin |   
Publishing Company

Supplement to Chicago Daily Law Bulletin and Chicago Lawyer®

He has compiled a record of legal victories that would make the most experienced of attorneys envious.

39

ANDREW B. BLOOMER

**Area of Practice** Commercial Litigation  
**Law School** The University of Wisconsin Law School

Andrew Bloomer is no stranger to courtroom success. The litigator with Chicago's Kirkland & Ellis has compiled a record of legal victories that would make the most experienced of attorneys envious.

Most impressive, Bloomer has done this before reaching his 40th birthday.

Bloomer, a litigation partner with Kirkland & Ellis, has handled a variety of complex litigation matters in federal and state trial and appellate courts. He's also mastered a wide range of specialties, including general commercial and product liability litigation and trial work. He's tackled cases involving manufacturing, franchise, distributorship, breach-of-contract, fraud, trade secret and construction issues.

Bloomer has also represented and won significant victories for major corporate clients in class action, federal multi-district litigation, trial and appellate cases.

The proof of Bloomer's courtroom and litigation skills lies in his string of successful cases. For instance, in *Bonneville Sports, Inc. v. Polaris Sales Inc. and Polaris Industries Inc.*, Bloomer represented Polaris against charges by a former dealer alleging RICO conspiracy, breach-of-contract, fraud, negligent misrepresentation, tortious interference and unjust enrichment. With so many charges, the case was necessarily a complex one. Bloomer, though, won dismissal of the RICO and unjust enrichment claims and tried the remainder of the charges in an arbitration trial in March of 2004. The arbitrator ruled in favor of Polaris on the dealer's claims.

In other example of Bloomer's skills, the young attorney represented GM in federal multi-district litigation filed by distributor Daewoo Motor America and more than 80 Daewoo dealers across the United States. The cases included putative class actions and alleged fraud, tortious interference, and violations of various state laws. Thanks in part to Bloomer, class certification was denied and all of the plaintiffs' cases were dismissed in 2004 and 2005, including Daewoo Motor America's suit alleging \$809 million in damages.

Bloomer shone, too, in *ExxonMobil Oil Corporation v. Randall Shaf, et al.* In this case, Bloomer represented ExxonMobil on its claims for breach-of-contract and tortious interference based on the defendants' attempt to seize ExxonMobil's underground storage tanks and other gasoline dealership property. Bloomer won a temporary restraining order and interlocutory injunction against the defendants, preventing any use of ExxonMobil's property.

In his rare free time, Bloomer is a member of the American Bar Association, Illinois Bar Association, Chicago Bar Association and Seventh Circuit Bar Association. He also devotes his time to volunteer activities. He is a member of the Lumen Cordium Society, for example, an organization that supports the charitable and educational work of the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago.

In 2003, Bloomer served on the board of directors of the Park West Cooperative Nursery School, and from 1998 to 2000 he sat on the Parish Pastoral Council of Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. He served as chairman of the council in 2000.



**Kirkland & Ellis LLP** 200 East Randolph Drive Chicago, Illinois 60601  
T 312.861.2482 E [abloomer@kirkland.com](mailto:abloomer@kirkland.com)