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## **Keith Herman**

Shareholder, Nyhan, Bambrick, Kinzie & Lowry, P.C.

Keith Herman concentrates his law practice in workers' compensation defense at both the trial and appellate levels. Keith has extensive experience working with self-insured, high-deductible, and insured clients. He represents a diverse cross-section of employers, including those in manufacturing, retail, healthcare, food service, hospitality, and municipalities. In addition to actively practicing law, Keith serves as the Executive Director of the Illinois Self-Insurers' Association ("ISIA"). Keith works with ISIA's Board of Directors to promote educational programs on Illinois' Workers' Compensation

Law. He is a frequent presenter at ISIA's programs and manages the ISIA Newsletter. Prior to joining the firm, Keith worked in Retail Management for Osco Drug. While attending law school at night, he eventually moved out of retail operations into Risk Management for American Stores Company, which was the parent company of Jewel Foods, Osco Drug, and Acme Markets. In that role, he was responsible for multijurisdictional general liability claims, including products liability, premises liability, property damage, and subrogation claims. Keith designed and implemented a temporary alternative work program for workers' compensation for both retail and distribution operations. He also trained and counseled operations managers in claim prevention and investigation.



## **Aaron Harris**

Executive Director, Illinois Chamber of Commerce Employment Law Council

Aaron leverages his background and connections in Illinois state government to help clients further their business objectives. Before joining Michael Best Strategies, he held influential positions in Illinois' Office of the Governor, Department of Juvenile Justice, and State Police. Most recently, Aaron served as the Interim Legislative Director in the Office of Governor JB Pritzker where he managed the Governor's Office of Legislative Affairs staff and statewide legislative liaison workforce. In this role, he

advised the Governor on proposed bills, regulatory and administrative procedure, and legislative strategy. Aaron assisted with the successful enactment of the Governor's landmark legislative agenda by securing support from members of the Illinois General Assembly. Prior to assuming this role, Aaron served as the First Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Legislative Affairs where he oversaw 16 state agencies legislative priorities, including energy, environment, infrastructure, public safety, and elections. Earlier in his career, Aaron was Chief of Intergovernmental Relations for the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice's Office of Governmental Relations. In that role he drafted, passed, and implemented criminal justice reform and other legislation to advance the department's legislative agenda, while securing a \$120 million annual budget appropriation.