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Practice Areas

Workers' Compensation Defense

Education

J.D., University of Missouri -
Columbia 1995
B.S., William Jewell College, 1992

Bar Admissions

Missouri, 1995

Greg Pearman devotes his practice to the defense of employers and insurers in workers' compensation cases. He has been practicing law for 24 years. He develops defense strategies for cases involving existing injuries and assists clients with cost control measures and reviews injury procedures to minimize future injuries. He represents clients throughout central and southern Missouri. Greg began his career at Miller & Sanford, P.C. in Springfield, Missouri in 1995. In 2003, he started Harmison & Pearman, P.C., a boutique workers' compensation defense firm. In November 2017, he transitioned his practice to MVP.

Greg successfully defends employers and insurers at all levels of trial and appellate courts in Missouri. Following Missouri's 2005 Workers' Compensation legislative changes, he successfully defended the first case relying on the "Equal Exposure" defense in *Bivins v. St. John's*, convincing the administrative law judge, the Labor and Industrial Relations Commission and the Court of Appeals that *Bivins* was "equally exposed" to the risk of tripping and falling outside of work in her non-employment life. He recently obtained a Final Award from the Labor and Industrial Relations commission confirming an award of \$0 benefits in a 2005 case wherein the employee was pursuing permanent total disability benefits.

Greg regularly speaks with employer groups regarding Missouri's workers' compensation law as well as speaking at seminars. He previously taught as an Adjunct Professor at Drury University and he was a member of Leadership Springfield Class XV and was previously selected as the Springfield Business Journal's 40 under 40.

Greg has been very active in the Springfield Community; he is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise, a former Board Member of Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Ozarks and a former Board Member of Leadership Springfield. He currently serves as a Committee Member for the Community-Wide Coalition for School Board Recruitment and is the Committee Chairman of the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce Legislative Policy Committee. Greg is also a co-owner of Float Trip Pickles, LLC which is a company that makes sweet and spicy pickle and jalapeno products.

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