

KEVIN L. CHLARSON

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HONORS & AWARDS

Kentucky Super Lawyers®, 2013-2025, Business Litigation

The Best Lawyers in America®, 2025-2027, Litigation - Insurance, Litigation - Labor and Employment

Ohio Super Lawyers® "Rising Star," 2005-2006

PRIMARY PRACTICE

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation

Business and Corporate Law

Employment Litigation

Insurance Defense

Regulatory & Licensing Issues

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Accounting Malpractice Defense

Education Law

EDUCATION

University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, J.D., 2003

Kevin Chlarson is a Member of McBrayer in the firm's Louisville office, practicing in the firm's commercial litigation and alcoholic beverage litigation groups. He concentrates primarily on shareholder and partnership disputes, breach of contract claims, and breaches of fiduciary duties. Kevin's wide range of business representation experience allows him to more clearly understand the needs of clients to find solid solutions no matter what problems they may be facing.

CAPABILITIES, SUCCESSES, AND ASSIGNMENTS

- Resolves disputes through alternative dispute mechanisms (arbitration and mediation).
- Represents clients before Kentucky government agencies including the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and the Workers' Compensation Board.
- Guides clients through alcohol licensing laws and regulations.
- Structures and negotiates distributorship agreements with beer distributors.
- Represents school districts, school boards, teachers, and other school personnel in federal and state discrimination, constitutional, tort, and other education-related claims.
- Litigated the constitutionality of Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) statutes restricting the sale of alcoholic

University of Iowa, Ph.D., Political Science, 2000

Arizona State University, B.A., Political Science, 1994

beverages, breaches of beer distributor contracts, and liquor license application denials by the ABC Board on behalf of licenses - retailers, distributors, and wholesalers - In federal and state courts as well as in Kentucky state administrative proceedings.

Professional Activities

Louisville Bar Association

Kentucky Bar Association

Ohio Bar Association

News

IN THE MEDIA - Fifty McBrayer Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers® for 2027*
August 20, 2026

Celebrating Excellence: 40 McBrayer Attorneys Recognized by Super Lawyers
December 16, 2025

McBrayer PLLC Achieves Record-Breaking Recognition in *Best Lawyers in America® 2026*
August 21, 2025

Leading the Way in Legal Excellence: 38 McBrayer Attorneys Honored in 2025 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
December 17, 2024

New Record Set: 51 McBrayer Attorneys Honored in Best Lawyers 2025
August 15, 2024

McBrayer Earns Record Number Named to Super Lawyers Lists for 2024
January 9, 2024

McBrayer Louisville Ranked in Top Five Largest Employment Law Firms by Louisville Business First
April 24, 2023

McBrayer PLLC Sees Largest-Ever Expansion with Addition of Eight Former Middleton-Reutlinger Attorneys
December 30, 2022

Seminars & Speaking Engagements

Ahead of the Curve: Getting in Front of Workplace Problems - Lexington
A Seminar for Employers
The Mane on Main, 201 East Main Street, 15th Floor, Lexington, Kentucky, March 22, 2023

Ahead of the Curve: Getting in Front of Workplace Problems - Louisville
A Seminar for Employers
500W Training Center, 500 West Jefferson Street, 4th Floor, Louisville, Kentucky, March 21, 2023