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Gregory W. Odom Named 2015 IDC Rising Star

Edwardsville attorney Gregory W. Odom is the recipient of Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel's (IDC) 2015 Rising Star Award. Odom distinguished himself as chair of the Young Lawyers Division (YLD).

"I am incredibly honored to receive the Rising Star Award. However, this award, and all of the YLD's success over the past year, would not be possible without the creativity, energy, and commitment of our amazing members. I am extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to work, and become friends, with such wonderful people as Chair of the YLD," said Odom.

President David H. Levitt of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP, Chicago, remarks "IDC is extremely lucky, especially based on what it hears from other State Defense Bar Associations, to have a vibrant and enterprising Young Lawyers Division, exemplified by Greg Odom. Under Greg's leadership, the Young Lawyers provided CLE programs to both young lawyers and law students, ran charity and blood drives, and spearheaded a mentorship program. Greg epitomizes what being a "Rising Star" is all about."

Odom focuses his practice on commercial, premises liability, toxic tort, and product liability litigation. Odom received his B.A. from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale in 2005 and his J.D. from Southern Illinois University in 2008. Odom is a co-chair of the Mentoring-to-Mentoring Program administered by the IDC and Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism. He also serves as an arbitrator for the Third Judicial Circuit Court-Annexed Mandatory Arbitration Program. In addition to his membership in the IDC, Odom is a member of the Madison County and St. Clair County Bar Associations.

The IDC was organized in 1964 and has nearly 1,000 members. The mission of the IDC is to ensure civil justice with integrity, civility and professional competence.

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