

Preface to the 2025-2026 Edition

The *Illinois Civil Jury Instructions Companion Handbook* guides you on using jury instructions as a case-planning tool and contains examples of jury instructions given by Illinois judges, as well as requests for instructions submitted by attorneys in a wide variety of cases. This 2025-2026 Edition replaces the 2024-2025 Edition and reflects updates to many sections in the treatise, as well as the addition of many new sections providing case material on the topics of (partial list):

- § 2:4 Motor vehicle negligence—Duty of driver using highway—70.01—*Jones v. Herrera*
- § 2:34 Motor vehicle negligence—Violation of statute, ordinance, or regulation—60.01, 10.02—*Bryant v. Guerico*
- § 3:8 Medical Malpractice—Wrongful death—105.01—*Estate of Giorno v. Advocate Health and Hosp. Corp.*
- § 3:10 Professional Negligence—Duty of a specialist—105.01—*Estate of Plewa v. Midwest Ctr. for Women’s Health-care Ltd., et al.*
- § 3:13 Professional negligence—Duty of specialist—105.01—*DeAngelo v. Advocate Health Partners, et al.*
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- § 5:5 Products liability/breach of warranty—Strict product liability—400.01—*Valadez v. GlaxoSmithKline LLC, et al.*
- § 6:1 Construction accidents—Construction negligence—55.01—Work entrusted to another—*Polino v. Toro Const. Corp., et al.*
- § 6:3 Construction accidents—Construction negligence—55.02—*McGillivray v. Skender Const. LLC*
- § 7:8 Intentional torts—Punitive/exemplary damages—Willful and wanton conduct—35.01—*Gemkis v. Home Depot USA Inc.*
- § 10:10 Agency and employment—Wrongful death—31.09—*Estate of Maestas v. Union Pac. R.R. Co., et al.*