

**MBT WINS TRIAL FOR THE
CITY OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS AGAINST
\$20 MILLION CLAIM**

Jack Carriglio led an MBT trial team to victory in the successful defense of the City of Prospect Heights after a three week trial before Judge Lee Preston of the Cook County Circuit Court, Law Division. Prospect Heights had been sued for breach of contract by a real estate developer who sought \$20 Million from the City relating to a failed project for the construction of a sports arena. The court rejected the developer's claim in its entirety and barred it from any recovery against the City. The court's decision focused on evidence MBT presented which demonstrated that the developer had an undisclosed financial relationship with a former City Attorney who worked on the arena project. The court found that the doctrine of "unclean hands" applied and prevented the developer from obtaining any reimbursement from the City for the money the developer allegedly spent on the project.

Jack Carriglio is a co-chairperson of MBT's litigation group, a former president of the Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, and a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Eric Newman, Dawn Blume and Jeff Greenspan assisted in the defense of the case as did the City's General Counsel, Michael Zimmermann.