

20 things you probably did not know about Glenn C. McGovern, Metairie, Louisiana, AV rated civil trial attorney:

1. Glenn has been practicing law since 1977-over 33 years. He graduated from UNO in Economics and then Loyola Law School. Glenn was president of the Blue Key Honor Society at Loyola and was Student Bar Association vice president of the Law School in 1975. Glenn was voted most likely to succeed. He was known for taking risks and built several apartments while working his way through law school.
2. Glenn is AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell every year since 2008 to date, the premiere lawyer rating service. AV is the highest rating available for legal ability and high ethical standards.
3. Glenn was a past president of the New Orleans Academy of Trial Lawyers and president of the New Orleans Chapter of the National Employment Lawyers Association.
4. Glenn was selected as a Louisiana "Super Lawyer" yearly since 2009 to date.
5. Glenn as trial attorney with two other co-counsel attorneys obtained a multi-million dollar judgment after a three-day toxic trial in Texarkana, Texas, state court in 2003 for over 50 plaintiffs against a creosote plant. Local counsel had rejected helping the clients due to collection problems. Large multi-million dollar settlements was obtained and collected from an insurer for bad faith insurance claims of the defunct creosote plant for the plaintiffs.
6. Glenn has obtained several record judgments in improper police procedure cases: 1. Glenn obtained a \$90,000 judgment for a 20-minute traffic stop, for improper handcuffing and abuse on a doctor stopped for speeding in a hot police cruiser of an OBGYN doctor in New Orleans East. The award was sustained by the La. Supreme Court. 2. Glenn obtained a New Orleans Police case record settlement of over \$4,200,000 for an orthopedic doctor who was improperly handcuffed without the arresting officer being properly trained to double lock handcuffs. This caused the surgeon disability from injury to the nerves of the hands of the surgeon arrested for parking in a private parking lot. 3. Obtained a over million dollar judgment for a minor sexually abused by a New Orleans police officer that sexually abused minors in a bogus Boy Scout Troop. 4. Recently in Glenn won at a federal jury trial a \$122,000 jury award plus attorney fees of over \$56,000 (including \$60,000 in punitive damages) in a §1983 case in the Federal Court in New Orleans for wrongful arrest by a Thibodaux Police detective that falsely arrested a handyman the detective owed money to and the customer/detective refused to pay the handyman for construction work. After the handyman walked off the job for non-payment, he was arrested and jailed for several

- hours. This jury trial victory came despite adverse pre-trial rulings including admitting into evidence the plaintiff's three prior criminal convictions 26 years before trial and denial of use of any police expert to Glenn. No settlement was offered before trial.
7. Glenn is a speaker to other trial lawyers on police procedures including handcuffing, sexual harassment, employment law, lack of medical care, prison rape, torture, false arrest and sudden death in custody cases for the LAJ, NBI, NELA and for the American Bar Association Convention employment section. He has handled whistleblower cases for credit union employees, pilots, safety managers and educational institution whistleblowers.
 8. Glenn writes monthly articles on civil rights, racial discrimination, sexual harassment, coercive sex harassment, insurance bad faith claims, automobile accidents, premises cases, motorcycle accidents, whistleblower cases, jury voir dire technique (picking jurors) and other topics for the Louisiana Association of Justice (formerly known as the Louisiana Trial Lawyers) newsletter. This is widely read by attorneys and judges who read his articles.
 9. Glenn has successfully litigated, tried and/or settled cases in Texas and Nebraska and is admitted to practice in Federal Courts only in those states federal districts courts with court permission.. Note Glenn is only licensed to practice law in all courts in Louisiana. He is licensed to practice in all Louisiana federal and state courts, the U.S. Supreme Court in Louisiana. Glenn has argued before the Louisiana Supreme Court. Glenn is admitted to and filed a writ on discretionary immunity in 2009 to the U.S. Supreme Court for a survival and wrongful death case where the female evacuee was killed when she was negligently dropped from an unqualified, ill-equipped crew of a U.S. Navy helicopter after Hurricane Katrina. Glenn has also handled administrative FAA enforcement cases in Alaska and California. Glenn has authored and produced numerous videos for pilots and spoke at the Airplane Pilot Owners Association, Experimental Aircraft Association and Alaska Airmen's Association conventions.
 10. Glenn was one of the first to successfully sue Ford Motor Company for defective Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor fuel tanks for a fuel tank explosion that burned and killed a State Police Trooper. Glenn was interviewed on national news on *CBS Nightly News* with Dan Rather on the case. A news video story on the case won a Golden Baton award. Glenn was court appointed Louisiana liaison counsel for a Police Interceptor fuel tanks class action that was later filed. Ford has changed the design of those tanks.

11. Glenn recently obtained a over \$2,800,000 judgment in St. Tammany Parish state court judge trial for a plaintiff who sustained severe leg amputation injuries in a motorcycle accident by a drunk, unlicensed driver.
12. Glenn recently obtained settlements in recent civil rights §1981 cases against Neo-Nazi supervisors for racism by an employer for discrimination for displaying Nazi symbols of terror in the client's workplaces. Glenn has handled several sex abuse/assault/harassment/rape cases against a chiropractor, a podiatrist, at tool retailer and a surgeon.
13. Glenn has handled business litigation, collection, breach of contract, and patent infringement cases successfully for numerous businesses on an hourly and mixed hourly/and contingent fee basis. As an experienced plaintiff's trial attorney he has obtained good results in business litigation. As a experienced plaintiff attorney he can be very effective in business litigation cases and has worked on mixed contingent fee and hourly fee basis with good economical results for the business client in need.
14. Glenn had tried and won several civil rights police cases since 1979. That experience trying many police civil rights cases helped him when Louisiana passed its first sexual discrimination statues in about 1986. With Glenn McGovern's civil rights experience of actually trying difficult police cases under his belt, Glenn then began doing several sexual harassment and race discrimination civil rights cases since 1988. Glenn has been awarded in excess of \$300 per hour attorney fees in EDLA federal court based on his years of experience and legal ability.
15. Glenn obtained a over \$450,000 judgment for a paralegal that fell in a expensive executive style Steelcase office chair that flipped causing herniated discs in her neck at a N.O. defense firm. The building owner was also held 10% liable for unlevel floor defective premises. \$10,000 was the pre-trial offer.
16. Glenn obtained a large record structure settlement for an African-American poker dealer terrorized by supervisors on a gaming ship. Novel issues were won including the award of over \$50,000 for Jones Act Seaman maintenance and cure benefits against the vessel owner/employer. This was the first time in Louisiana that held such gaming ship employees were Jones Act Seaman and such a racist crewmembers rendered the vessel unseaworthy. After that case, the law was changed to limit venue where the vessels are docked and owners removed the engines from gaming vessels to avoid Jones Act liability in the future.
17. Past performance is not a guarantee of success in future cases and Glenn admits he has lost cases. No results are guaranteed of course. All good trial lawyers have and do lose cases, mostly early in their careers, but it happens.

There are no guarantees in this business. But experience is critical to success. Modern juries are more difficult today and new techniques must be used to be successful. This is critical. Glenn spends much time studying, practicing and doing research on new trial techniques necessary to win. Focus groups and surveys are used in some cases. This information is invaluable to success.

18. Glenn is not afraid to try cases before juries. Glenn has been hired by other attorneys as a trial attorney to act as trial attorney in their cases and is local counsel in several cases in employment law, whistleblower, mesothelioma, asbestos/cancer, *qui tam*, nursing home and toxic tort cases. Insurance companies keep track of which attorneys does not either go to court before a jury as a routine practice and those attorneys who may be perceived avoiding court trials and will settle plaintiff's cases cheap as a pattern and practice. Insurers know who can actually try a jury trial case successfully and who cannot. They offer good settlements to those attorneys who can, and offer low settlements to those attorneys who cannot. ***Glenn believes any attorney that is reluctant to try jury trials should level with the client and tell the truth ---or get out of the jury trial business.*** Sadly this is often not the case in these days of lawyer advertising and billboard public relations. **To get a premium settlement, your lawyer has to have to be able to try the case successfully to a jury. If a reasonable full, settlement offer is not made by the insurance company, you have to be able to try the case. That's the way the system works.**
19. Louisiana has no north-south interstate highway. Travel by car can be time consuming and expensive. (Example: Over 6 hrs. drive to Shreveport, La. from N.O., La., versus 2.25 hours flying in the Cessna.) Glenn pilots himself in an economical Cessna piston-engine airplane that can carry over 1287 lbs. of cargo with full fuel. It is more cost effective for his clients to transport his team and trial equipment rather than on the airlines, especially on short flights to north Louisiana rural airports. (Just check an airfare from MSY to Shreveport! Not cheap even if you can make do with the airline schedule.) Glenn is a pilot with over 3200 hours as pilot in command experience, with instrument and commercial ratings. He pilots his Cessna 206 six passenger single engine aircraft for trial work all over Louisiana and the U.S. (Glenn's longest flight is to Barrow, Alaska north of the Arctic Circle in summer and Skwentna, Alaska in winter.) Glenn currently has cases pending in Shreveport/Bossier City, Leesville, Thibodaux, Lincoln, (Nebraska), Monroe, Houma, and Baton Rouge in addition to New Orleans area cases.
20. Glenn has also handled administrative FAA pilot enforcement cases in Alaska, Florida, Texas, Louisiana and California. Glenn has authored articles and produced numerous videos for pilots and spoke at the Airplane Pilot Owners Association, Experimental Aircraft Association and Alaska Airmen's Association conventions on FAA enforcement and flying in Alaska.

