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### Recommended by peers in:

**Criminal Defense Law: Felonies & Misdemeanors**

**Criminal Defense Law: White Collar**

### Extensive Experience in:

**Criminal Law - Federal, Criminal Law - State,**

**Frauds, Homicides, Date Rapes,**

**Aggravated DUI, DNA Forensic Science Cases,**

**Sex Offenses, Internet Sex Offenses,**

**Drug Trafficking, Child Pornography**

**County:** Cook

**Litigator:** Yes

### Practice Description:

Barry D. Sheppard has been practicing criminal defense law for over 40 years. He began his career as a public defender in 1976 where he developed a penchant for "taking on the long shot." He has won acquittals for clients charged with every type of offense ranging from Homicides to Frauds to the most serious sex offense cases.

Mr. Sheppard has extensive trial experience with cutting edge legal issues including DNA forensic science and internet sex solicitation cases. He has appeared in courts throughout the country on cases which have received national attention. He is a member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, The legal committee for the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML), the Illinois State Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association and the Decalogue Society of Lawyers (Judicial Evaluation Committee).

### Bar Admissions:

- Illinois, 1976
- California, 1978
- District Court Northern District of Illinois Trial Bar, 1976
- U.S. District Court Central District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court District of Arizona
- U.S. Court of Appeals 7th Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court, 1998

**Year of Birth:** 1951

### Law School:

DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, Illinois, J.D. - 1976

### Law School Honors/Involvement:

Dean's List

DePaul Law Review, Contributing Author

### Undergraduate School:

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, B.S. - 1972

**Undergraduate School Honors/Involvement:**

cum laude

**Employment History:**

Cook County Public Defender's Office

Cook County Sheriff's Office

**Bar/Professional Association Involvement:**

- The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- The Illinois Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Decalogue Society of Lawyers
- Chicago Bar Association
- Illinois Bar Association
- Northwest Suburban Bar Association
- The NORML Legal Committee
- Families Against Mandatory Minimums
- Constitutional Rights Foundation
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Illinois Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

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