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Won exclusion of plaintiffs' general causation experts in multidistrict litigation involving more than 600 claimants alleging the antidepressant Zoloft caused birth defects.

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In multidistrict litigation involving more than 600 claimants alleging Pfizer's blockbuster antidepressant Zoloft caused birth defects, Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell partners James Hooper and Andrew Myers successfully challenged the admissibility of four causation experts named by the plaintiffs' steering committee. Following a seven-day *Daubert* hearing, a federal judge in Philadelphia granted Pfizer's motion to exclude the plaintiffs' general causation experts, affirming the scientific unreliability of their opinions that the medication caused a wide range of congenital birth defects.

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