

Peter J. Mooney

Partner

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Peter Mooney joined the firm in 1982 and has more than 30 years experience in litigating a wide range of business disputes. He has handled disputes involving contracts, insurance coverage, shareholders disputes, accounting and legal malpractice actions, securities broker arbitrations, and construction. Pete also has extensive experience representing clients in disputes involving intellectual property, including trademark infringement and trade secrets. He has tried more than 50 commercial cases before juries, judges and arbitrators. Pete has argued appeals in Pennsylvania and New Jersey state courts and the Third and Ninth Circuit Courts of Appeals.

Pete brings his finance background and broad experience to bear in analyzing complex disputes and advising clients how to best resolve them, whether by trial, arbitration or negotiation.

Pete graduated third in his class of 234 from Temple University School of Law and served as a Note/Comment Editor of the *Temple Law Review*.

Representative Matters

- Obtained \$2.9 million judgment in a London arbitration for a local biotechnology firm against a French equipment manufacturer for breach of a licensing agreement
- Obtained awards of \$1.1 million and \$900,000 after five-day and nine-day AAA arbitrations involving ERISA and defamation claims on behalf of corporate executives
- Defended a banking institution against trademark infringement and common law claims in a federal trial, and obtained a defense verdict
- Represents fruit supplier in claim alleging product was contaminated with *listeria*
- Recovered \$500,000 for retired executive in a stock option dispute
- Obtained \$1.2 million jury verdict in seven-day commercial lease trial as co-counsel with a retired White and Williams partner
- Obtained summary judgment for municipal risk pooling trust on \$1 million coverage claim by law firm involving novel “other insurance” issues

Practice Areas

Commercial Litigation
Intellectual Property
Professional Liability
Food and Beverage
Financial Lines

Bar and Court Admissions

Pennsylvania
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
Pro hac vice admissions in state and federal courts around the country

Education

Temple University School of Law, JD, *magna cum laude*, 1982
University of Pennsylvania Wharton School, BS, 1979

Memberships

American Arbitration Association
Commercial Panel
Philadelphia Stock Exchange Arbitration Panel

- Represents fruit supplier in claim alleging contamination of fruit product with foreign matter
- Recovered \$500,000 for client for breach of product development contract
- Obtained \$750,000 award for a local cardiology practice against a provider of physician management services for breach of contract
- Successfully prosecuted numerous customer claims against brokerage houses on theories of churning, unsuitability and unauthorized trading
- Successfully defended a pharmacy franchisee against claims by the national franchisor after the franchise became unprofitable and the franchisee cancelled the agreement
- Recovered \$650,000 from a national software company for breach of its contract for commissions with a local software distributor
- Obtained defense verdict in case alleging husband's interference with wife's ownership interest in life insurance policy
- Recovered \$400,000 for hair products manufacturer against seller of assets for breach of sale agreement representations and warranties
- Obtained plaintiff's verdict in construction case involving rehabilitation of New Jersey lighthouse
- Successfully prosecuted numerous cases against former employees for breach of non-compete and confidentiality agreements
- Recovered \$800,000 in attorneys' fees and costs for hotel owner following successful liability jury verdict
- Represented majority and minority shareholders in numerous cases involving oppression and stock valuation disputes
- Obtained summary judgment in two legal malpractice cases involving claims of more than \$1 million each

Recognition & Involvement

Since 2009, Pete has been selected in a survey of his peers as a Pennsylvania "Super Lawyer" by *Super Lawyers*. He has also been AV® rated by the Martindale-Hubbell peer review rating system.

Pete serves as a Judge Pro Tem for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas. He has volunteered for 30 years with the Support Center for Child Advocates and received the organization's "Outstanding Advocate" Award in 2007. He has also served as a volunteer for many years with the Legal Clinic for the Disabled. Peter was appointed to the First Judicial District Pro Bono Honor Roll in 2006 through 2011.

In the News

Congratulations 2019 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
October 17, 2019

Congratulations 2018 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
October 18, 2018

White and Williams Honored with Philadelphia VIP Trailblazing Partner Award
April 20, 2018

Congratulations 2017 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
November 11, 2017

Congratulations 2016 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
October 18, 2016

Congratulations 2015 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
October 21, 2015

Congratulations 2014 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
October 22, 2014

Commercial Litigation Team Secures Three Large-Sum Judgments for Clients
December 16, 2011

Congratulations 2011 PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
May 25, 2011

Events

Professional Ethics and Malpractice Avoidance
White and Williams CLE | November 30, 2011

Publications

FDA Issues Draft Guidance on Public Notification of Recalls
Food and Beverage Alert | January 23, 2018

Cases & Deals

Peter Mooney Secures \$1.2 million in Breach of Lease Agreement Suit
November 3, 2011