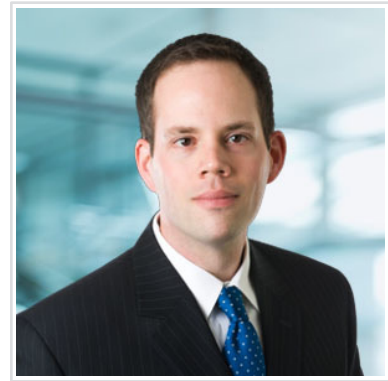


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Paul Briganti has over 15 years of experience as a commercial litigator in a broad range of complex matters. For the majority of his career, Paul has devoted his practice to representing and counseling international and domestic insurance companies in cases involving diverse and novel coverage problems. He most often assists clients facing challenging insurance issues arising from environmental, asbestos and mass tort claims.

Paul also has substantial experience with coverage issues relating to directors & officers, professional liability and employers' liability claims. Paul is recognized for his use of sensible and creative approaches to help achieve his clients' objectives, whether in the context of litigation, ADR or settlement negotiations.

Before coming to White and Williams, Paul practiced in the Philadelphia office of a national law firm, where he concentrated on franchise and other commercial litigation matters.

While in law school, Paul was a managing editor of the *Villanova Law Review*, and authored published articles on intellectual property and fidelity law issues. He also completed an externship with the Honorable Edmund V. Ludwig of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Representative Matters

- Negotiated favorable settlement for insurer client in matter presenting novel issues arising from dispute over satisfaction of significant self-insured retention
- Represented insurers in dispute in which insured sought to invalidate asbestos exclusions and recoup millions of dollars in defense costs and settlements, resulting in jury verdict rejecting insured's theory
- Represented insurers in multi-million dollar disputes involving decades of alleged environmental contamination arising from various types of manufacturing operations, resulting in favorable appellate rulings
- Advised insurers regarding novel coverage issues arising out of alleged concussion-related injuries to professional athletes and wrestlers

Practice Areas

Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith
Bad Faith and Extra-Contractual Liability

Bar and Court Admissions

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Education

Villanova University School of Law, JD, 2002

Fairleigh Dickinson University, BA, *cum laude*, 1999

Memberships

Pennsylvania Bar Association

Philadelphia Bar Association

- Represented insurers at trial and appellate levels in disputes over coverage for asbestos-related bodily injury claims involving hundreds of millions of dollars in policy limits
- Represented insurers in multi-million dollar dispute over coverage for property damage caused by defective roofing product, resulting in favorable settlement
- Advised insurer in multi-million dollar dispute over coverage for property damage caused by “blowout” of gas well, resulting in favorable settlement
- Represented insurers in private arbitration proceedings involving multi-million dollar disputes over coverage for asbestos-related bodily injury claims, resulting in favorable settlements
- Advised insurers in professional liability, D&O and employers’ liability coverage disputes

Recognition & Involvement

Paul is committed to giving back to the community, and has represented clients on a pro bono basis in matters pending in the Philadelphia court system. Paul is also a regular volunteer with the Senior Law Center Clinic.

In the News

White and Williams Elects Four Lawyers to Partnership, Promotes Six Associates to Counsel
January 6, 2017

Coverage College Celebrates Its 10th Anniversary
September 22, 2016

Associates Kick Off Law Week 2015 at Legal Advice Live
April 27, 2015

White and Williams Defeats Policyholder’s Attempt to Invalidate Asbestos Exclusions
January 23, 2014

Events

Road Blocks and Pot Holes: Your 2016 Driver’s Manual for Pollution Coverage Under the Business Auto Form
White and Williams Coverage College | September 22, 2016

Publications

North Carolina Federal Court Holds “Hazardous Materials” Exclusion Does Not Bar Duty to Defend Under CGL Policy for Bodily Injury Claims Arising Out of Direct Exposure to PFAs
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert | October 22, 2020

New York Appellate Court Addresses “Trigger of Coverage” for Asbestos Claims and Other Coverage Issues
The Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter | October 13, 2020

Maryland's Top Court Adopts Majority Pro Rata Allocation Rule in "Long Tail" Case
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert | April 6, 2020

New York State Trial Court Addresses "Trigger of Coverage" for Asbestos Claims and Other Coverage Issues
The Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter | December 12, 2018

New York State Trial Court: Non-Cumulation Provision in Excess Policies Mandates "All Sums" Allocation
Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter | September 6, 2018

New York Court of Appeals Rejects Unavailability Exception to Pro Rata Allocation
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert | March 28, 2018

New York's Highest Court Reverses Lower Court Ruling That Imposed Erroneous Timeliness Requirement For Disclaimers of Coverage
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert | June 11, 2014

Cases & Deals

White and Williams Defeats Claims Brought by Insured's Alleged Successor in Environmental Coverage Dispute
March 23, 2016

White and Williams Insurance Coverage Team Convinces New York's Highest Court to Reject Policyholder's Effort to Rewrite Law Regarding Timing of Coverage Disclaimers
June 10, 2014

White and Williams Insurance Coverage Team Scores Another Win in an Environmental Coverage Case
January 31, 2012