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Brian Tetro is a partner in the Subrogation Department and practices exclusively in the area of insurance subrogation. He represents major property and casualty insurers on a regional and national basis. Brian's practice extends throughout the United States, where he has litigated matters in 21 different jurisdictions as lead counsel, with assistance from local counsel.

Brian has extensive and successful trial experience in both state and federal courts across the country, taking cases to verdict in the District of Columbia, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee. He also is a frequent presenter at client-oriented seminars on various topics of interest, including how to successfully litigate careless smoking fires.

Brian presides as an arbitrator for the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and also periodically provides continuing education for other attorneys in the Subrogation Department.

Representative Matters

- Obtained a \$750,000 recovery in Ohio involving misuse of a heat torch on the roof of a university dormitory building
- Litigated \$2.1 million subrogation water damage claim arising from pipe rupture in Virginia
- Litigated \$1.5 million subrogation claim involving multiple catastrophic breakdowns of a gas generator in North Carolina
- Litigated \$1.3 million subrogation claim arising from building fire in Connecticut
- Litigated \$1.1 million subrogation claim arising from diesel generator fire in Pennsylvania
- Litigated \$600,000 subrogation claim arising from house fire caused by improper installation of Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing (CSST)
- Successfully argued before the Appellate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court to uphold a property damage arbitration award (*Merchants Insurance Group v. AAA Mid-Atlantic Insurance Company*, 2010 WL 3933234)

Practice Areas

Subrogation
Food and Beverage

Bar and Court Admissions

Pennsylvania
New Jersey
New York

Education

Villanova University School of Law, JD, 1998
James Madison University, BA, *magna cum laude*, 1995

Memberships

National Association of Subrogation Professionals

- Defeated motion for summary judgment in products liability claim involving a defective heating pad (*Moores v. Sunbeam Products, Inc.* 425 F. Supp.2d 151 (2006))

In the News

White and Williams Announces the Election of Five Lawyers to the Partnership and the Promotion of Five Associates to Counsel

January 14, 2016

Three Lawyers Elevated to Counsel

January 6, 2012

Events

Romaine Calm: Lettuce Discuss Food Recalls and the Recoveries You've Been Leaving on the Table
National Association of Subrogation Professionals, Annual Conference (Virtual) | 3:15 PM – 4:00 PM PT | November 16, 2020

Butt Out! Subrogating Careless Smoking Fires
National Association of Subrogation Professionals, Annual Conference (Washington, DC) | October 28, 2019

Y'all Come Back Now, Ya Hear? How to Best Leverage Evidence of Product Recalls In Your Product Liability Claims
National Association of Subrogation Professionals, Annual Conference (Austin, TX) | November 7, 2017

The Subrogation Landscape: What's Changing
Property & Liability Resource Bureau, Central Regional Adjusters Conference (New Orleans, LA) | September 6-7, 2017

How to Successfully Pursue Careless Smoking Fire Claims in Subrogation
New England Continuing Education Seminar, hosted by Rimkus Consulting Group, Inc. (Boston, MA) | October 16, 2013

Publications

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

Cases & Deals

Multimillion-Dollar Settlement Reached Against Designer and Installer of Sprinkler System

Seven-Figure Settlement Reached Against Spice Ingredient Supplier

Settlement Reached Against Seasoning Packet Supplier

Subrogation Department Settles Listeria Contamination Recall Matter

\$600,000 Jury Verdict Obtained in Federal Court in Boston

\$300,000 Jury Verdict Obtained in Philadelphia City Hall

Seven-Figure Settlement Reached Against Electric Utility

Blog

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