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Joseph Bellew is a seasoned litigator with extensive experience handling complex products liability and professional negligence matters. He has litigated the validity and coverage issues involved in the legislative and statutory provisions applicable to medical negligence claims, coverage and priority of claims.

Joe also defends manufacturers, distributors and component part manufacturers in matters involving industrial machinery, fire safety/life safety equipment, medical device equipment and asbestos claims. He represents medical professionals, nursing homes, visiting nursing associations, home health care workers and diagnostic centers in all types of professional negligence claims.

Representative Matters

- Represented an apartment complex owner and management company accused of consumer fraud by the Attorney General's Office in regards to the leasing of apartments
- Represented major food manufacturer/distributor concerning claims of injuries suffered as a result of consumption of adulterated foods
- Represented major insurance carriers in third party claims for coverage involving claims for construction defects
- Represented a trustee for RICO violations in regards to the administration of a trust
- Represented various construction companies in regards to disputes arising out of projects resulting in the filing and discharging of mechanics liens
- Represented major home builder in regards to claims for water in filtration and construction defects
- Represented landscaping companies in regards claims arising out of the use of a pesticide manufactured by a global chemical company which caused serious damage to trees
- Represented a major manufacturer of semisubmersible oil rigs in regards to claims resulting from an accident arising in the manufacturing of the rig in Singapore

Practice Areas

Litigation
Product Liability
Appellate
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith
Financial Lines
Professional Liability

Bar and Court Admissions

Delaware
New Jersey
Pennsylvania

Education

Temple University School of Law, JD,
1987

Mount St. Mary's College, BS, *magna cum laude*, 1984

Memberships

American Bar Association
Delaware County Bar Association
Philadelphia Bar Association

- Represented numerous limited liability corporations and members arising out of disputes under Asset Purchase Agreements and/or Operating Agreements
- Represented over-the-counter health aid company regarding claims for earn outs under an Asset Purchase Agreement
- Represented a major employer in discrimination cases and human relation cases both in the courts and before the Delaware Human Relations Commission
- Represented a major manufacturer of helicopters in regards to claims arising out of the death of eight individuals in a helicopter accident in Mexico
- Represented parties to an asset purchase agreement in Delaware Chancery Court concerning earn outs under an Asset Purchase Agreement
- Obtained affirmance of an award for fraudulent conveyance before the Delaware Supreme Court
- Represented the owners and members of a well-known regional pizza company over a dispute between members
- Represented a major food producer/distribution company in claims arising out of the injuries sustained while offloading produce from sea going vessels at the Port of Wilmington
- Represented a major construction company in regards to claims of faulty workmanship and defective design in regards to water infiltration at a major hotel
- Represented various manufacturers and suppliers in Delaware asbestos litigation matters
- Represented a major employer/banking company in regards to claims for FMLA, wrongful termination and discrimination
- Represented an insurance agency in regards to claims by the Delaware Insurance Commissioner for faulty underwriting and claims handling in regards to a Risk Retention Group for the trucking industry
- Represented numerous landlords and property management companies in regards to claims before the Delaware Human Relations Commission for claims of retaliatory eviction
- Represented a major insurer and third party claims administrator against bad faith arising out of allegedly mishandling of workers' compensation claims
- Represented a major solid waste authority in regards to wrongful death at a landfill
- Represented a corporate officer in the claim for enforcement of a loan agreement and a dispute with the Board over forum selection
- Represented Directors and Officers in Delaware Chancery Court in a claim for breach of fiduciary obligations in regards to the amendment of corporation bylaws pertaining to the qualification for Board Membership

In the News

Wilmington Office Participates in Career Day at Harlan Elementary School

June 11, 2019