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OVERVIEW

Mark Paladino defends large personal injury actions in various areas of tort liability, including motor vehicle liability, premises liability and professional liability. His practice also includes a variety of complex matters, including life, health and disability insurance, coverage claims, bad faith and extracontractual damages claims. He has a background in appellate practice and has extensive experience in briefing many multifaceted and developing legal issues.

Mark believes that proactive and thorough investigation is critical to assess a claim and posture its defense. He is frequently called out to active accident scenes for emergency investigations, during which he regularly interfaces with governmental investigatory agencies and works to identify and preserve crucial evidence. This approach maximizes the ability to analyze risk and chart a course for resolution, whether by mediation, arbitration, or trial. It also allows for early and aggressive pursuit on any viable indemnity or contribution claims, a key component that Mark is experienced in addressing.

Prior to joining White and Williams, Mark served as a judicial intern in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas for the Honorable Matthew D. Carrafiello. In law school, Mark was a Beasley Scholar and recipient of the Jack M. Golden and Frieda Golden Prize for superior legal writing in the area of healthcare and health administration. He was also a member of the Temple Political and Civil Rights Law Review and Secretary of the Sports and Entertainment Law Society.

RECOGNITION AND INVOLVEMENT

Mark is a member of the firm's Associate Development Committee and Associate Recruitment Committee. He is an active volunteer for the Philadelphia Homeless Advocacy Project, working to assist those in need of pro bono legal services that

PRACTICES

Appellate
Healthcare
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith
Life, Health, Disability and ERISA
Litigation

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

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

EDUCATION

Temple University Beasley School of Law,
cum laude, 2009
University of Pennsylvania, *cum laude*, BA,
2006

can include handling social security disability hearings, obtaining valid identification documents and assisting in securing housing.

Mark has also served as manager of the firm's softball team and regularly participates in the annual Eagles Autism Challenge along with various other members of the firm.

Since 2015, Mark has been selected in a survey of his peers as a Pennsylvania "Rising Star" by *Super Lawyers*.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

White and Williams Delivers Trial Victory for Horizon Healthcare Services, Inc.

6.5.19

White and Williams Secures Reversal of Critical Ruling Involving Confidential and Proprietary Business Information

7.7.16

Secured a dismissal, on appeal, on behalf of Horizon Healthcare Services, Inc. against claims that its Omnia healthcare plan violated the New Jersey state Healthcare Quality Act and that the state's opioid crises required the court to create a private right of action

Worked as part of a trial and appellate team in obtaining judgment notwithstanding the verdict for an electric utility in a published opinion by the Superior Court of Pennsylvania that represents the latest binding precedent in the area of Pennsylvania's independent contractor defense

Secured a complete indemnity for a utility company from a contractor for a wrongful death claim involving a tree that struck utility lines

Conducted a critical incident investigation and defended a waste collection company in a wrongful death action involving a pedestrian strike, resulting in a favorable resolution.

Represented a funeral home in a case alleging severe emotional damages and worked to secure a favorable resolution after the commencement of trial

Obtained a fully favorable award for a utility company at binding arbitration in a wrongful death case involving a tree fall

Worked as part of a trial team that brokered settlement of a catastrophic injury action and successfully tried an indemnity action arising from same, resulting in complete recovery of a substantial settlement fund and all attorneys' fees

Conducted a critical incident investigation and defended a waste collection company in a wrongful death action involving a bicyclist strike, resulting in a favorable resolution.

Obtained a voluntary dismissal for a utility company from a catastrophic injury claim involving a capsized bucket truck

Awarded partial summary judgment in a catastrophic motor vehicle accident case, resulting in a favorable resolution of the sole remaining claim

Obtained dismissal of a claim by a chiropractic association against Horizon Healthcare Services, Inc. at the trial level by way of a 12(b)(6) Motion, and secured that dismissal on appeal

Argued and obtained summary judgment in a private disability insurance case involving an insured who contested a finding of a legal disability

Litigated a unique claim pertaining to declined issuance of a life insurance policy and obtained a favorable resolution

Defended a civil rights action brought by an individual who was detained by police following a series of events involving a wellness check on an elderly customer of a utility company and obtained dismissal by way of summary judgment

Secured indemnity for a client in a wrongful death action involving a helicopter crash and defended the case to resolution

Defended a civil rights action involving the alleged wrongful expulsion of a high school student and reached a favorable resolution

Secured indemnity for a utility company in an action involving an electrical contact from a downed line and defended the case to resolution

IN THE NEWS

Congratulations 2022 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
7.13.22

White and Williams Announces 15 Lawyer Promotions
1.3.22

White and Williams Lawyers Recognized as Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
11.1.21

White And Williams Announces Lawyer Promotions
Three Lawyers Elected to Partnership and Eight Associates Promoted To Counsel
1.4.21

Congratulations 2020 DE, MA, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
11.5.20

13th Annual Coverage College Hosts Over 400 Insurance Professionals
11.1.19

Congratulations 2019 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
10.17.19

Law Week 2019: Associates Volunteer for Legal Advice Live
5.2.19

12th Annual Coverage College Features Current Trends and State of the Insurance Claims Industry
10.23.18

Congratulations 2018 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
10.18.18

Law Week 2018: Associates Volunteer for Legal Advice Live
5.3.18

Congratulations 2017 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
11.11.17

Law Week 2017: Associates Volunteer for Lawyers in the Classroom and Legal Advice Live
5.5.17

White and Williams Lawyers and Staff Recognized for Pro Bono Efforts
12.5.16

Congratulations 2016 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
10.18.16

Law Week 2016: Associates Volunteer for Legal Advice Live
5.3.16

Congratulations 2015 DE, MA, NJ, NY and PA Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
10.21.15

Associates Kick Off Law Week 2015 at Legal Advice Live
4.27.15

EVENTS

Coverage College 2019
10.24.19

Social Media and Litigation in 2018: A Primer for Insurance Companies
12th Annual Coverage College, 10.4.18

PUBLICATIONS

Pennsylvania Court Ominously Lowers the Bar for Asserting Actionable Punitive Damages Claims
Litigation Alert, 8.6.21

Are Industry Standards Beside the Point Where Strict Liability is Claimed?
Product Liability Alert, 5.18.21

The Nation's First Binding Virtual Jury Trial is a Success, But Limitations Remain
Litigation Alert, 8.19.20

Evaluating Alternative Avenues to Verdict in the COVID-19 Legal Atmosphere
Litigation Alert, 7.7.20

Virtual Jury Trials: The Next Wave of Remote Legal Practice
Litigation Alert, 6.4.20

Pennsylvania Courts Closed Through April 30, 2020: Litigating in the Current Statewide Emergency
Litigation Alert, 4.2.20

Responsive Pleadings: Preliminary Objections, Answers and Counterclaims
Pennsylvania Civil Trial Practice, Chapter 4, January 2017, 2018 and 2019 Editions

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to Evaluate Seminal *Roverano* Decision
Litigation Alert, 8.20.18

Social Media in Litigation: The Increasing Impact and Evolving Standards for Discoverability and Admissibility
Litigation Alert, 3.28.18

Pennsylvania's Fair Share Act: Reshaping Apportionment in Strict Liability Cases
Litigation Alert, 1.9.18