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Barbara Morrow brings 20 years of experience as a defense litigator and concentrates her practice in the areas of product liability, retail liability, premises liability and insurance coverage litigation. In addition, she defends independent and public schools in a variety of matters involving student safety, school policy and civil rights. She drafts school handbooks and policies and provides counseling on issues such as safety, school life and school administration.

Ms. Morrow's experience covers all aspects of discovery and trial preparation. She has successfully litigated many cases in both federal and state courts throughout Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

Relevant Experience

- Extensive experience in the litigation of claims involving commercial transportation.
- Representation of global product manufacturer of home appliances in multi-million dollar product liability litigation and arbitration across the country.
- Extensive experience in the representation of manufacturers in product liability litigation involving catastrophic injuries with claims based on design defect, manufacturing defect, improper warnings and negligence
- Representation of national retailers in matters involving premises liability, product sale, product installation and service.
- Product liability litigation involving the design, manufacture and use of construction and manufacturing equipment, including claims of design defect, manufacturing defect and improper warnings.
- Representation of brokers involved in disputes with third-parties concerning errors and omissions, insurance coverage and breach of contract.
- Representation of insured individuals and commercial entities involved in general liability litigation.
- Representation of independent schools in matters involving school policies and procedures, student and faculty handbooks, vehicular liability, student safety, privacy and discipline.
- Representation of public schools in matters involving student safety, school policies and procedures, student supervision and premises liability.
- Representation of public entities in civil rights, zoning/land development use, and employment matters.
- Responsible for handling multidistrict litigation involving pharmaceuticals.

Education

J.D., Widener University School of Law, 1997
Moot Court Honor Society

B.A., University of Notre Dame, 1994

Admissions

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

Delaware

United States District Court, District
of Delaware

United States District Court, Eastern District
of Pennsylvania

United States District Court, District
of New Jersey

United States Court of Appeals, Third Court

Representative Matters

- Achieved favorable settlements of claims involving complex liability and damages issues.
- Successfully defended product manufacturer involving a broad range of residential products based upon claims of design defect, manufacturing defect and inadequate warnings.
- Successfully defended insurance producer professional malpractice cases in state court based upon a variety of issues, including the 2002 amendment to N.J.S.A. 2A:53A-26 Affidavit of Merit Statute.
- Successfully defended insurers and insurance brokers in myriad coverage and bad faith litigation filed pursuant to Pennsylvania common law and 42 Pa.C.S.A. § 8371.
- Successfully defended insurance broker in case requiring interpretation of the “step down” provision of a commercial UM/UIM endorsement, *Pinto v. New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Co.*, and the 2007 amendment to N.J.S.A. 17:28- 1.1, prohibiting the use of “step down” provisions in motor vehicle liability policies issued to business entities to lower uninsured or underinsured motorist coverage for employees to the limits of coverage available to the employees under their personal policies.
- Obtained summary judgment on behalf of a real estate company where an agent alleged breach of contract after being assaulted on the job. Summary judgment affirmed on appeal.
- Obtained numerous defense verdicts in favor of individual homeowners and commercial establishments in arbitrations involving premises liability claims.
- Obtained dismissal of an insurance carrier on a claim by a third-party homeowner for remediation of an oil spill at the homeowner’s water front property in New Jersey.
- Successfully defended independent school alleged to have breached school policy in expelling student for inappropriate conduct involving another student.
- Achieved beneficial settlement on behalf of independent school and teacher in high-profile, contentious litigation by student and student’s family in which they alleged, among other claims, breach of contract, assault and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

Membership

NAMWOLF (National Association of Minority and Women Owned Law Firms)

WBENC (National Women’s Business Enterprise Certification)

Pennsylvania Bar Association

Delaware County Bar Association

New Jersey Bar Association

Delaware Bar Association

Publications

Insurance Law: Third Party Liability Coverage in Delaware, National Business Institute, April 1998 (Co-author)

Other

Arbitrator, Delaware County Court of Common Pleas