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Ben focuses his practice on business litigation and complex commercial litigation in both federal and state court on behalf of multinational companies in various industries. He has significant experience litigating matters from initiation through trial in a wide range of matters including contractual disputes, premises liability, product liability, catastrophic casualty claims, construction defects, dram shop matters, insurance defense, personal injury, employment matters, breach of contract matters, TCPA (Telephone Consumer Protections Act) cases, and international litigation. He previously investigated fraud cases on behalf of life insurers, and sought to have STOLI policies declared void *ab initio*. Ben also works on long-term care and nursing home cases.

Prior to joining the firm, Ben was an assistant district attorney for the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office Major Trial Division, where he gained considerable experience handling jury trials. While at the District Attorney's Office, he focused on handling complex criminal issues dealing with violent crimes, narcotics, and white collar prosecutions.

Ben earned his bachelor's degree from University of Maryland and his law degree, *cum laude*, from Temple University Beasley School of Law. At the University of Maryland, Ben interned at the Office of U.S. Representative Robert A. Brady, where he collaborated with the military legislative assistant to analyze and prioritize appropriations proposals to the House Appropriations and Armed Service Committees. He was also district policy and legislative issues representative at the Office of Mayor Adrian Fenty, Correspondence Unit in Washington, D.C. While in law school, he was a member of Order of the Barrister, Moot Court Honor Society, a Rubin Public Interest Law Honor Society fellow and a certified clinical student for Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority (SEPTA).

Experience

Secured voluntary dismissal of a decade-long dispute over riparian water rights to a body of water shared by a competing properties, after filing compelling motions in limine to disqualify Plaintiffs' experts in anticipation of trial.

Secured a defense verdict in a product liability suit following a multi-week jury trial involving catastrophic injuries to the plaintiff.

Obtained dismissal of a case centering on construction defect allegations related to a purchased property, due to an arbitration provision in the construction agreement.

Secured compassionate release in the Southern District of New York for a pro bono client serving time in prison for a non-violent crime.

Obtained summary judgment for a home owner accused of defamation by a property development company.

Secured voluntary dismissal of two identical Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) cases filed in different federal courts following Rule 11 Motions, after our investigation revealed that the purported telephone calls were potentially fraudulent. We then successfully moved to have costs awarded to the client.

Practice Areas

- Commercial Litigation
- Long-Term Care Litigation
- Product Liability

Industry Sectors

- Insurance

Education

- Temple University—James E. Beasley School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2013
- University of Maryland, B.A., 2010

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court -- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court -- Massachusetts

Awards & Honors

- Pennsylvania Super Lawyers "Rising Star" 2022, 2023. This award is conferred by Super Lawyers. A description of the selection methodology can be found [here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

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