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John DeLascio brings extensive experience in representing domestic and international insurers and reinsurers in complex insurance coverage and reinsurance matters in various forums. He has substantial experience in counseling insurers and in litigating and arbitrating a wide variety of insurance cases, including extra-contractual and bad faith claims, mass tort, environmental, asbestos, Managing General Agent, and risk pool disputes. John handles matters involving both occurrence-based and claims-made based coverage and is experienced in varied lines of insurance, including: professional liability; Directors & Officers (D&O); Errors & Omissions (E&O) for insurance brokers, lawyers, accountants, healthcare, and human resources professionals; Employment Practices Liability (EPL); Managed Care Liability; First-Party Property; Cyber; and Comprehensive General Liability (CGL) lines, including long-tail toxic tort (asbestos, lead paint, concussion, sexual abuse, talc, and environmental claims), construction claims, and advertising injury claims.

John regularly assists and advises industry clients in numerous aspects of the insurance business from policy drafting to coverage litigation and reinsurance arbitrations. He also has experience defending professionals against malpractice claims and consumer-related class actions such as the FDCPA and TCPA in both federal and state courts and has extensive appellate experience.

Professional Background

Prior to joining Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP in April 2015, John was a partner in a litigation firm headquartered in Chicago. Before entering private practice, he served as a Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Justice Everette A. Braden (Retired), Illinois Appellate Court, First District, and Circuit Court of Cook County, Chancery Division.

Professional Affiliations

- ARIAS U.S.
 - Spring 2023 Conference Co-Chair
- American Bar Association
- DRI
- Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS)

Practices

Commercial Litigation
Directors & Officers Liability
Latin America

Industries

Insurance & Reinsurance Insurance Coverage

Insurer Litigation — Bad Faith/ Extra-Contractual

Reinsurance

Education

J.D., University of Illinois Chicago School of Law

B.A., DePaul University

Admissions

Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado

U.S. District Court for the Central and Northern Districts of Illinois

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan



Honors & Awards

- Selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America© for Insurance Law, 2019 2024
- Recognized on the Super Lawyers list by Illinois Super Lawyers magazine, 2015 2019
- Recognized by his peers as a "Leading Lawyer" in Insurance and Insurance Coverage & Reinsurance Law, 2019

Representative Matters

- Representation of general liability insurers in complex multi-party environmental cases involving significant coverage disputes.
- Representation of general liability insurers in significant mass tort and long-tail cases including asbestos claims, sexual misconduct, lead paint claims, talc and sports concussion claims.
- Representation of professional liability insurers in rescission and coverage litigation involving D&O policies, EPL policies, and Managed Care entity policies.
- · Representation of insurers in lawsuits alleging statutory and/or bad faith insurance claims.
- Representation of insurers and reinsurers in litigation and arbitration disputes over claims and collections including issues such as "follow the fortunes," late notice, "utmost good faith," allocation, and accounting issues.
- Representation of insurer in multi-million dollar insurance and reinsurance pool dispute with pool manager regarding various risk pool management issues.

Presentations

- Panelist, "Coverage Disputes," Global Access Week 2024, London, U.K., March 14, 2024
- Panelist, "Managing Complex Litigation: Managing the Parties," Global Access Week 2023, London, U.K., March 7, 2023
- "Liability Coverage Triggers & Loss Allocation," Property & Liability Resource Bureau Claims Conference & Insurance Services Expo, San Antonio, Texas, April 5-6, 2022
- Panelist, "Claims Handling Issues and Bad Faith Developments to be Aware of in 2021," Hinshaw's Webinar Series: Insurance Insights – What Insurers Need to Know in 2021, Virtual Event, April 20, 2021
- Co-Presenter, "Liability, Coverage, and Underwriting Issues Related to Biometric Privacy Laws," NAMIC Webinar, September 17, 2020
- "Emerging Legal Trends and Allocation Disputes In Environmental Claims," Society of Environmental Insurance Professionals (SEIP) Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, October 8, 2019
- "And This Changes Everything in Post 1986 Allocations (Site Pollution)," CLM Environmental and Toxic Tort webinar, July 17, 2019
- Panelist, "Claims Arising From Climate Issues," Insurance Coverage & Allocation Issues Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 30, 2019
- "Legal Trends in Environmental Insurance," SEIP Conference, San Francisco, California, June 20, 2018
- "The Impact Of Industry Consolidation On The Arbitration Process," ARIAS U.S. Fall Conference, New York, New York, November 2015
- 22nd National Conference on Employment Practices Liability Insurance New York City, February 2015
- PLRB Claims Conference (Global Warming Claims: Liability Coverage & Defenses) Seattle, Washington, 2009

Publications

• "Medical Monitoring Claims: Trampling Tort And Insurance Principles In the Wake of PFAS," ARIAS U.S. Quarterly, First Quarter 2023



- Co-Author, "Attorney Liability Insurance," Chapter 14, Attorneys' Legal Liability, 2022 Edition
- Co-Author, "Insurance & Reinsurance USA Trends and Developments," Chambers and Partners Global Practice Guides, February 2021
- Co-Author, "Insurance Coverage for Biometric Privacy Claims," New York Law Journal, October 2, 2020
- "The Emerging Restrictions on An Employer's Use Of Non-Disclosure Agreements in Sexual Harassment Claims: A New Era of Openness?," Pioneer Underwriters Quarterly Investment Management Insurance Newsletter, Third Quarter 2019
- "Overlooking Environmental Coverages In An Allocation Battle Could Be Costly," ARIAS U.S. Quarterly, First Quarter 2019
- "Disregarding Honored Traditions: Attempts to Invoke State Statutes of Limitations In Reinsurance Arbitration", ARIAS U.S. Quarterly, Third Quarter 2014
- "Professional Liability And Global Warming Claims, Liability For Climate Change?" Experts' View On Potential Emerging Risk, Munich Re's Publication on Climate Change 2010
- "Emerging Issues: Global Warming Claims And Coverage Issues" Defense Counsel Journal, Vol. 76, January 2009
- "Global Warming Claims And Insurance Coverage Issues" Declarations, Winter 2008