



# News

## Hinshaw Litigator Rory Eric Jurman Recognized as the Daily Business Review's 2020 Most Effective Lawyer in Insurance

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The national law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP is pleased to announce that partner Rory Eric Jurman has been honored by the *Daily Business Review* with its 2020 Most Effective Lawyer in Insurance Award. Honorees in 21 Most Effective Lawyer categories were recognized for having demonstrated proof of positive results obtained for clients, as well as other criteria including obstacles overcome, impact on public policy and business interests, and professional track record. The efforts of Jurman and his team, along with a summary of applicable client cases, are described in a Special Report by the *Daily Business Review*.

Operating from the firm's Fort Lauderdale office, Jurman is part of a nationally recognized insurance practice which provides strategic and effective counsel to Fortune 500 companies, insurers, and self-insureds. He plays an active role in firm management, serving as a member of Hinshaw's Executive Committee. Jurman provides insurance coverage advice concerning virtually every type of general, excess, and professional liability insurance policy, including employment practices liability; directors and officers (D&O) liability; and malpractice/errors or omissions policies. He handles the investigation and evaluation of multi-faceted and high-exposure claims such as class actions and complex coverage issues.

Jurman was also the recipient of the 2018 *Daily Business Review* Most Effective Lawyer in Insurance Award. Currently ranked as a leading lawyer for insurance in Florida by *Chambers USA*, he is a Certified Litigation Management Professional (CLMP) and is admitted to practice in Florida, New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

Below is a summary of the successful client outcomes reviewed by award judges that were achieved by Jurman and a team consisting of James Wyman, Jill Mendelsohn, and Viviana Loshak:

- Leveraged an insurance coverage settlement at a fraction of the potential exposure on behalf of the American Alternative Insurance Company (MunichRE), in a matter arising out of a \$330 million Ponzi scheme orchestrated by 1 Global Capital LLC.
- 2. Secured affirmation by the Eleventh Circuit of summary judgment granted in favor of insurer StarStone National Insurance Co., which found there was no coverage under StarStone's policy for a murder and attempted murder

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- on the property of an insured hotel. The Eleventh Circuit adopted StarStone's proposed definition and interpretation of the term sublimit," thereby providing new clarity to insurers, insureds, and the public at large, on a term frequently found in insurance policies, but that Florida courts had never before defined.
- 3. Secured win for OneBeacon Insurance Co. in the application by an insured for coverage and reinsurance under a Public Risk Management policy. The decision is significant as it relates to direct actions in Florida against reinsurers and discusses wrongful acts and other coverage defenses pertaining to fraud and late notice.