

# WHITE AND WILLIAMS LLP SUBROGATION SERVICES

Serving clients for over 50 years, White and Williams LLP has one of the oldest and largest subrogation practices in the nation.

- Construction Defects
- Cyber Subrogation
- Environmental Losses
- Fidelity
- Food Recall Subrogation
- Inland Marine
- Large Loss Property Subrogation
- Maritime Losses
- Product Liability Losses
- Self-Insured Retention
- Transit/Cargo
- Water Loss



### **OUR EXPERIENCE**

Lawyers in White and Williams' Subrogation
Department practice throughout the United States
and provide 24/7 access for assignments. The
Subrogation Department handles, among other
things, subrogation for construction defects, highprofile commercial properties and high-net-worth
residential homes. We handle claims with the help
of a database of over 2,000 experts – in virtually
all disciplines relevant to subrogation – located
throughout the country.



Our lawyers practice throughout the United States and routinely investigate and litigate large losses, including warehouse fires, manufacturing plant fires, apartment and condominium complex fires, lumber mill fires and residential house fires and cargo losses. We also regularly handle losses involving building collapses, equipment failures, flooding, water main breaks, gas leaks, windstorms, fire suppression failures and plumbing system failures. In addition, we handle product liability losses, including fires, water losses, appliance, equipment and machinery failures. In fact, we are the industry leader when it comes to subrogating water loss claims.

We routinely investigate losses arising from defective water supply lines, water valves, sump pumps, water filters, dishwashers, washing machines, dehumidifiers, toilet tank components, faucets and solenoid-controlled valves.

Our clients have the added advantage of access, where needed, to over 200 other lawyers in the firm that specialize in environmental law, bankruptcy law, cyber law and class action litigation. These lawyers become part of the litigation team when a loss requires specialized expertise in one of those fields.

## A PROCESS DRIVEN APPROACH

A thorough, early investigation is a key component to any successful subrogation program. Our Subrogation Practice offers an aggressive early intervention program, utilizing our vast network of screened experts and consultants. We take an aggressive approach the first 30 days post loss to ensure all evidence is preserved; proper parties are placed on notice; proper experts are retained; and a timely site exam is scheduled, minimizing any disruption to the client's operation. We typically accept property losses of \$50,000 and above.

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From the initial case referral through the end of each case, our lawyers work with our insurance and self-insured clients to develop cost-effective strategies for identifying and pursuing subrogation targets. If the matter has recovery prospects, an effort is made to settle the case pre-suit. These efforts involve the preparation of a comprehensive demand package and direct negotiation with the potentially responsible party. For cases with good liability prospects that cannot be resolved pre-suit and must be litigated, the handling lawyer outlines the theories, parties and steps anticipated, as well as projected expenses. A draft complaint is prepared for the client's review and approval. Once the case is in suit, reporting is typically done every 60 days or in compliance with a particular client's guidelines.

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# **OUR INVOLVEMENT**

Partners in the Subrogation Department are members of the National Association of Subrogation Professionals (NASP), Property Loss Research Bureau (PLRB) and Loss Executives Association (LEA). Our Partners, who are recognized leaders in their field, are frequent speakers at national conferences on subrogation and litigation related topics for these organizations.

# **READ, LISTEN, LEARN**







# **VALUE ADDED SERVICES**



#### **Research Charts**

In an effort to provide clients with useful information related to subrogation, we maintain research charts on Subrogation-Related Topics.



#### **Timely Reporting**

Recognizing that timely reporting is important to our clients, in addition to providing regular narrative reports from the assigned attorney regardless of whether a matter is pre-suit or in litigation, we provide a quarterly report summarizing each client's pending cases. The reports can be customized to accommodate the needs of our clients. In addition to providing quarterly reports, we provide year-end gross recovery information.



#### **Blog/Podcast**

As part of our efforts to provide ongoing education for our customers, we maintain a blog – Subrogation Strategist – that discusses current subrogation cases. In addition, because we monitor cases and issues from around the country, we are able to quickly identify new trends and advise our clients accordingly.

Our efforts to provide ongoing education to our clients include doing our podcast, Subro Sessions. In the podcast, lawyers in our Subrogation Department discuss the latest legal updates, news and trends as well as strategies for litigation, mediation and recovery.



#### **Speaker Engagements**

If a client is interested in having a speaker at their site or via a webinar, we maintain a list of Speaker Engagements that provides topics the various attorneys are familiar with and can speak about.

# **SUBROGATION CONTACTS**

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