

# Paul A. Briganti

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International and domestic insurance companies seek out Paul for his sensible and creative approach to handling litigation, ADR or settlement negotiations.

# **OVERVIEW**

Paul Briganti has more than 15 years of experience as a commercial litigator in a broad range of complex matters. For the majority of his career, Paul has devoted his practice to representing and counseling international and domestic insurance companies in cases involving diverse and novel coverage problems. He often assists clients facing challenging insurance issues arising from environmental, asbestos and mass tort claims.

Paul also has substantial experience with coverage issues relating to directors & officers, professional liability, cyber, and employers' liability claims. He is recognized for his use of sensible and creative approaches to help achieve his clients' objectives, whether in the context of litigation, ADR or settlement negotiations.

While in law school, Paul was a managing editor of the *Villanova Law Review* and authored articles on intellectual property and fidelity law issues. He also completed a externship with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

## **RECOGNITION AND INVOLVEMENT**

Paul is committed to giving back to the community and has represented clients on a pro bono basis in matters pending in the Philadelphia court system. Paul is also a regular volunteer with the Senior Law Center Clinic.

### PRACTICES

Bad Faith and Extracontractual Liability Cyber Law and Data Protection Financial Lines Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith

#### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

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

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

## EDUCATION

Villanova University School of Law, JD, 2002

Fairleigh Dickinson University, BA, *cum laude*, 1999

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Pennsylvania Bar Association Philadelphia Bar Association





## **REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS**

White and Williams Defeats Claims Brought by Insured's Alleged Successor in Environmental Coverage Dispute 3.23.16

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Negotiated favorable settlement for insurer client in matter presenting novel issues arising from dispute over satisfaction of significant self-insured retention

Represented insurers in dispute in which insured sought to invalid asbestos exclusions and recoup millions of dollars in defense costs and settlements, resulting in jury verdict rejecting insured's theory

Represented insurers in multi-million dollar disputes involving decades of alleged environmental contamination arising from various types of manufacturing operations, resulting in favorable appellate rulings

Advised insurers regarding novel coverage issues arising out of alleged concussion-related injuries to professional athletes and wrestlers

Represented insurers at trial and appellate levels in disputes over coverage for asbestos-related bodily injury claims involving hundreds of millions of dollars in policy limits

Represented insurers in multi-million dollar dispute over coverage for property damage caused by defective roofing product, resulting in favorable settlement

Advised insurer in multi-million dollar dispute over coverage for property damage caused by "blowout" of gas well, resulting in favorable settlement

Represented insurers in private arbitration proceedings involving multi-million dollar disputes over coverage for asbestos-related bodily injury claims, resulting in favorable settlements

Advised insurers in professional liability, D&O and employers' liability coverage disputes

## **IN THE NEWS**

White and Williams Announces Partner and Counsel Promotions *Press Release*, 1.17.24

White and Williams Elects Four Lawyers to Partnership, Promotes Six Associates to Counsel 1.6.17

Coverage College Celebrates Its 10th Anniversary 9.22.16





Associates Kick Off Law Week 2015 at Legal Advice Live 4.27.15

# **EVENTS**

Coverage College 2023 Philadelphia, PA, 10.12.23

Coverage College 2022 10.13.22

Road Blocks and Pot Holes: Your 2016 Driver's Manual for Pollution Coverage Under the Business Auto Form White and Williams Coverage College, 9.22.16

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Montana Trial Court Holds That Youths Have Standing to Bring Constitutional Claims Against State Government For Alleged Climate Change-Related Harms *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith*, 8.15.23

New Hampshire Supreme Court Declines to Recognize Cause of Action for Medical Monitoring in Context of PFAS Claims *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert*, 3.22.23

North Carolina Supreme Court Addresses "Trigger of Coverage," Allocation and Exhaustion-Related Issues Arising Out of Benzene-Related Claims *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert*, 12.19.22

Georgia Federal Court Holds That Pollution Exclusion Bars Coverage Under Liability Policy for Claims Arising From Discharge of PFAS Into Waterways Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert, 12.9.22

The Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter - November 2022 - Special Edition *The Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter*, 11.21.22

Minnesota Federal Court Rejects Insured's Attempt to Cast Social Engineering Fraud As Computer Fraud Under Crime Policy Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert, 8.16.22

Pennsylvania Federal Court Finds No Coverage For Hacking Claim Under E&O Policy *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert*, 6.20.22

SC Supreme Court Adopts "Post-Loss" Exception to Enforcement of Consent-to-Assignment Clauses in Liability Policies Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert, 4.15.22

NY State Appellate Court Holds That Pollution Exclusions Bar Duty to Defend Under Liability Policies for Claims Alleging Exposure to PFAS

Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert, 1.7.22





Montana Supreme Court Tackles Decade-Old Coverage Dispute Concerning Asbestos Mineworker Claims Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert, 11.29.21

North Carolina Federal Court Holds "Hazardous Materials" Exclusion Does Not Bar Duty to Defend Under CGL Policy for Bodily Injury Claims Arising Out of Direct Exposure to PFAs *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert*, 10.22.20

New York Appellate Court Addresses "Trigger of Coverage" for Asbestos Claims and Other Coverage Issues *The Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter*, 10.13.20

Maryland's Top Court Adopts Majority Pro Rata Allocation Rule in "Long Tail" Case *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert*, 4.6.20

New York State Trial Court Addresses "Trigger of Coverage" for Asbestos Claims and Other Coverage Issues *The Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter*, 12.12.18

New York State Trial Court: Non-Cumulation Provision in Excess Policies Mandates "All Sums" Allocation *Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter*, 9.6.18

New York Court of Appeals Rejects Unavailability Exception to Pro Rata Allocation *Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Alert*, 3.28.18

