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Practice Areas

Insurance Coverage

Product Liability

Trial & Insurance

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Overview

Gerard H. Hanson is a partner in the Princeton, N.J. office of Hill Wallack LLP and a member of the firm's Management Committee. He is partner-in-charge of the firm's Insurance Coverage, Product Liability and Trial & Insurance Defense practice groups.

Mr. Hanson's practice focuses on the representation of the insurance industry, including providing advice and litigation regarding insurance coverage disputes arising out of property, casualty, and specialty loss coverage including: Advertising Injury; Agents & Brokers; Bad Faith/Extra-Contractual; Business Auto/Trucking; CGL; D&O; Employer Practices Liability; Flood; Errors & Omissions; Fraud; Life; Media Liability; Property; Storm; Subrogation/Recovery; Umbrella; UM/UIM; and Workers' Compensation.

Mr. Hanson has substantial jury trial experience in both federal and state courts, and has been called upon by the U.S. District Court to serve as an Arbitrator. Mr. Hanson's historical experience as a trial lawyer involves the defense of a wide range of claims, including:

- Catastrophic personal injury, property damage and economic loss arising out of causes of action sounding in product, governmental, professional and employment liability
- Constitutional civil rights
- Defamation and libel
- Construction-related issues
- Product Liability
- Trucking

Mr. Hanson is admitted to practice before the State Court of New Jersey (1978), the U.S. District Court of New Jersey (1978), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (1983) and the U.S. Court of Military Appeals (1979). He earned his law degree from Seton Hall University of Law and graduated magna-cum-laude with a degree in Economics from Seton Hall University.

Representative Matters

- Successfully represented insurance industry with respect to coverage disputes, including involvement of intermediaries and policyholders
- Provides advice to underwriters and claims management
- Involved in diverse insurance coverage disputes including issues arising out of CGL, Directors & Officers, Errors & Omissions, Employment Practices Liability and other specialty lines
- Represents insurance brokers, agents and third party administrators
- Successfully represents clients involving claims for catastrophic damages
- Represents defendants involving mass tort claims

Leadership

Recipient, America's Top 100 Attorneys, Lifetime Achievement Award

Adjunct Professor, Seton Hall University Law School - 1998 - 2018

Selected for inclusion in New Jersey Super Lawyers 2006, 2009 - 2022. The Super Lawyers list is issued by Thomson Reuters. 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.

Board of Director, Seton Hall University Alumni Association

Board of Director, Helene Cody Foundation

Contributing Author, Defense Research Institute Insurance Law Committee's "Coverage B: Personal and Advertising Injury"

Compendium, Chapter 14: "Advertisement Offenses - Use of Another's Advertising Idea in Your Advertisement (definition f.)"

Presenter and Co-Chair, HarrisMartin's Superstorm Sandy Insurance Coverage Litigation Conference, "Superstorm Sandy - Eight Months Later and New York and New Jersey Bad Faith Claims" (June 26, 2013)

Presenter to the New Jersey Defense Association at seminars including the Annual Insurance Coverage Symposium

Presented numerous lectures on a national basis concerning various insurance coverage and liability issues, including presentations to the Defense Research Institute

Presented multiple lectures for the New Jersey Law Journal Continuing Legal Education for Corporate Counsel

Member - New Jersey Defense Association, former Board of Director

Member, Claims & Litigation Management Alliance

Presentations & Publications

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Bar Admissions

New Jersey

U.S. District Court, District of NJ

Education

Seton Hall University, *magna cum laude*

Seton Hall University Law School