



Paul E. Del Vecchio

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OVERVIEW

Paul Del Vecchio is a partner in the firm's Pittsburgh office. He concentrates his practice in complex commercial litigation, including insurance coverage litigation and counseling. He has been involved in asbestos and environmental insurance coverage cases in numerous jurisdictions. He has substantial experience litigating on behalf of policyholders in cases involving Underwriters at Lloyd's, London and London Market Insurance Companies. He has handled numerous insurance matters involving first-party property losses. In addition, he has substantial experience in handling policyholder claims with insolvent London Market and domestic insurance companies. Paul has also had significant involvement in litigating general commercial cases, including RICO securities fraud class action suits, commercial mortgage foreclosure proceedings, replevin actions and tax credit matters.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Paul has practiced in the commercial disputes resolution practice area and its insurance coverage practice group since his graduation from law school in 1993. He has served on both the hiring committee and associate development committee for the firm's Pittsburgh office, and has served as the mentoring coordinator for the Pittsburgh office's mentoring program for new lawyers.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Panelist, Emerging Risks and Recent Trends in Environmental Claims Panel at Perrin Emerging Insurance Coverage & Allocation Issues Conference, April 11, 2018 (Philadelphia, PA)
- Panelist, Insurance Coverage Panel at *Mega Superfund Sites* Symposium presented jointly by the Environmental and Emerging Claim Manager Association (EECMA) and the Association of Insurance Run-Off and Reinsurance Companies (AIRROC), September 7, 2017 (Philadelphia, PA)
- "Excess Insurer Issues" presented at *Claims Made and Professional Liability Insurance* Conference sponsored by Pennsylvania Bar Institute, August 22, 2008 and December 2, 2011 (Philadelphia, PA)

- “Insurance Claims Issues and Disputes” presented at *Business Insurance Seminar* sponsored by Pennsylvania Bar Institute, February 25, 2005 (Pittsburgh, PA)
- “Understanding Lloyd's and Equitas” presented at *Insurance 101 Conference* sponsored by Mealey's Publications, March 25, 2004 (Philadelphia, PA)
- “Discovery of Underwriters at Lloyd's: The Equitas Collection” presented at Lloyd's and Equitas 2001 Conference sponsored by American Bar Association, May 24, 2001 (Chicago, IL)

EDUCATION

- J.D., Cornell Law School, 1993 (*cum laude*)
- B.A., College of William and Mary, 1988

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 10 August 2020, Strategic Insurance Considerations for Emerging Coal Ash Bodily Injury Claims
- 20 March 2019, Identifying and Preserving Coverage for Alleged Coal Ash Liability

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Excess Insurer Issues: Exhaustion of Underlying Policy Limits and Rights and Obligations Regarding the Settlement and Defense of Underlying Claims,” *PBI Claims and Professional Liability Insurance Seminar*, by John M. Sylvester and Paul E. Del Vecchio, October 2011
- “Excess Insurer Issues” presented at *Claims Made and Professional Liability Insurance Conference sponsored by Pennsylvania Bar Institute*, August 22, 2008 and December 2, 2011 (Philadelphia, PA)
- “Insurance Claims Issues and Disputes” presented at *Business Insurance Seminar sponsored by Pennsylvania Bar Institute*, February 25, 2005 (Pittsburgh, PA)
- “Understanding Lloyd's and Equitas” presented at *Insurance 101 Conference sponsored by Mealey's Publications*, March 25, 2004 (Philadelphia, PA)
- “Pennsylvania Supreme Court Rules in Favor of Policyholders in Sunbeam Environmental Coverage Case,” *Pittsburgh RIMarks*, by John M. Sylvester and Paul E. Del Vecchio, January 2002

- “Discovery of Underwriters at Lloyd's: The Equitas Collection” *presented at Lloyd's and Equitas 2001 Conference sponsored by American Bar Association, May 24, 2001 (Chicago, IL)*

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Insurance Recovery and Counseling
- Appellate Litigation
- Commercial Disputes

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Counseling policyholders on liability and first-party property insurance claims
- Represented successor to a Pennsylvania product manufacturer in AAA arbitration proceeding adverse to London Market Insurers regarding insurance coverage for asbestos-related liabilities
- Review and analysis of general liability and first-party property insurance policies
- Represented Pennsylvania policyholder regarding insurance coverage for asbestos-related bodily injury claims of former employees
- Litigated insurance coverage disputes for utilities regarding manufactured gas plant-related environmental liabilities and losses
- Represented Pennsylvania-based companies in first-party property insurance claims for fire loss
- Litigated commercial mortgage foreclosures for bank mortgagees
- Litigated insurance coverage dispute for a Pennsylvania product manufacturer regarding toxic tort bodily injury liabilities (including asbestos) through final judgment and appeals
- Litigated environmental insurance coverage disputes for Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, Oregon, Washington and California corporate policyholders involving general liability policies and first-party property policies
- Prosecuted replevin actions to repossess equipment
- Obtained clearance for Evoqua/Memcor's sale of its water business to Dupont.
- Defended RICO securities fraud class actions