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PRODUCTS LIABILITY SERVICES

The Axelrod Firm attorneys are experienced in international and domestic litigation and alternative dispute resolution, representing foreign and domestic companies in matters involving complex legal, regulatory, and technical issues in state and federal courts around the U.S. and globally. Their industry experience includes representing clients in the agriculture, aviation, chemical, cosmetic, emergency responder, food and beverage, health care, insurance, and manufacturing sectors.

Our attorneys handle multi-party products liability cases and tort cases and counsel clients on commercial and business-related issues such as products liability and risk management. We also counsel clients on crisis management.

Our litigation experience includes working with experts in a number of fields including electrical experts, medical experts, metallurgical experts, accident reconstruction experts, forensic pathologists, and economic experts.

We represent clients who manufacture a wide variety of products including 3D printers, helicopters, aircraft components parts including bearings and seals, industrial equipment, cosmetics, fire trucks, herbicides, medical devices, escalators, soda bottles, and toys.

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Who is Blackwell Burke P.A.?
Blackwell Burke P.A. is a premier, “go to” defense law firm servicing clients nationally and consisting of true players in the Fortune 500 legal market. Attorney quotes and firm cases appear in major news outlets such as CNN, The Economist, and Law 360. Minority-owned and located in Minnesota, the firm serves as counsel for:

- Class Action Defense
- Commercial Litigation
- Complex Litigation
- Food Industry Defense
- Products Liability
- Toxic Tort Litigation
- Trial Practice

Leadership Roles in Client Representation
Blackwell Burke P.A. has served as national counsel, national coordinating counsel, national trial counsel, or lead counsel for:

What Distinguishes Blackwell Burke P.A.?
Blackwell Burke P.A. handles high-stakes complex litigation, class actions, and trials. Our attorneys represent clients in the most challenging litigation, often involving novel legal or scientific issues. Our attorneys and firm have been honored to receive the following distinctions:

- BTI Client Services A-Team 2017
- Minnesota Firm of the Year, Benchmark Litigation 2017
- 2016 US News & World Report and Best Lawyers Best Law Firms list with a ranking of Metropolitan Tier 1 for Products Liability Litigation – Defendant, and a Tier 2 ranking under Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants
- “Excellence in Service Award” by General Mills, Inc.
- “Leading Lawyer for Product Liability and Mass Tort Defense” by the Legal 500*
- “Life Sciences Star” by LMG Life Sciences*
- Benchmark Litigation “Highly Recommended” Firm 2015 and 2016
- BTI “Client Service All-Star”®
- BTI “Client Service MVP”
- Benchmark Litigation Minnesota “Stars” and “Future Star”®
- Burton Award for Legal Achievement
- “Go-To Law Firm” for the Top 500 Companies by Corporate Counsel*
- Minnesota Attorney of the Year
- Minnesota Minority Business Owner of the Year
- Minnesota Equal Justice Award
- Selected for Minnesota “Super Lawyers®” and Rising Stars lists

* These recognitions are rare and typically awarded to attorneys at large law firms. The BTI “Client Service All-Stars” list recognizes attorneys who, according to Fortune 1000 companies, drive superior client service. Benchmark Litigation honors attorneys who are recommended consistently as “reputable and effective litigators” by clients and peers. Corporate Counsel’s “Go-To Law Firm” honor recognizes law firms who complete exceptional legal work for Fortune 500 companies as identified by in-house counsel. The LMG Life Sciences award honors preeminent life sciences attorneys nationwide based on peer recognition and editorial research. The Legal 500 is a legal market guide that offers recommendations of attorneys nationwide after thorough, independent research.
Your Product Liability Defense Team

An allegation that a product is defective can arise at any point along the distribution chain – from design and manufacture to supply and sale. When a product becomes the target of a liability claim, it can bring negative publicity, business interruption and lengthy litigation.

Burden, Hafner & Hansen, LLC represents clients involved in the design, manufacture and distribution of a wide variety of products including, but not limited to, medical devices, chemical products/industrial cleaners, household products, electronic equipment, appliances, food products, complex industrial equipment, tools, furniture, playground equipment, sporting goods, automobile and recreational vehicles.

Burden, Hafner & Hansen, LLC has experience handling high exposure, complex catastrophic loss cases, including from product failure, use or misuse, chemical leak, fire and explosion. We have a dedicated group of attorneys that are available 24/7 to respond quickly to catastrophic accidents involving significant injuries and loss of life. Our attorneys handle on-the-scene investigation of losses, including retention and coordination of experts, preservation of evidence and management and coordination of a defense in the early stages after a major loss.

Product Liability cases can be complex and costly. When possible, we will work to resolve the matter early in the litigation process, however, if resolution is not possible, our litigators have extensive experience in taking a case to trial. We are knowledgeable in selecting the appropriate skilled and qualified expert witnesses, a critical task in defending these claims. Through our involvement in national defense organizations, we have built strong relationships with experts across a wide range of fields.
Experience

- Significant work-up and first chair trial experience representing major manufacturers spanning 40 states.
- Overwhelmingly successful trial results involving a variety of product liability and personal injury litigation claims.
- Cheryl Bush is currently on the trial team for a large pharmaceutical company.

Types of Products Defended

- Automobiles & Components
- Chemicals
- Construction Equipment
- Consumer Products
- Electronics
- Hand Tools
- Health Care Products
- Industrial Equipment
- Medical Devices
- Pharmaceutical
- Recreational Vehicles

Product Defense Expertise

- Product design and development strategy
- Development of due-diligence product facts
- Regulatory aspects of product design, development, manufacturing, and distribution
- Detailed analysis of product performance
- Application of complex technical, scientific, and engineering concepts in product defense
- Warnings claims
- Analysis of medical issues surrounding liability and damage claims
- Nationwide management of complex and voluminous discovery requests
- Preparation of corporate witness testimony
- Strategic opposition to expert testimony in depositions and trials
- Case theme development, jury research, and genuine mock-trial studies
- Fact investigation tailored to product defense strategy
- Class-action and multi-district litigation defense

Recall/Regulatory Advisors and Litigation Avoidance

- Counsel clients during all phases of recall and regulatory matters.
- Proactively advise companies on litigation minimization strategies.
- Develop and implement policies and procedures to minimize litigation costs and damages awards.

Representative Clients

Merck, MacuCLEAR, Volkswagen Group of America, Guardian Industries, Mercedes-Benz USA, and others.

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COURINGTON, KIEFER, SOMMERS, MARULLO & MATHERNE, LLC.

PRODUCTS LIABILITY PROFILE

Courington, Kiefer, Sommers, Marullo & Matherne, LLC. has a solid tradition in defending manufacturers, suppliers, and retailers from allegations of product defects such as manufacturing and design defects, failure to warn, and professional vendors liability. We are also equipped to handle indemnity issues that may arise. We have been able to meet head-on the challenges imposed by Louisiana Napoleonic law in products claims, including redhibition. We offer cost-effective, high-quality legal services. We measure our success through the loyalty of our clients. In fact, not only do we defend a wide variety of clients from products liability cases, we are also National Coordinating Counsel overseeing products cases around the country.

Product Liability

Courington, Kiefer, Sommers, Marullo & Matherne, LLC. has substantial experience defending clients in a wide array of product liability cases. The attorneys of the firm have successfully defended product liability cases in Louisiana and Mississippi. Courington, Kiefer, Sommers, Marullo & Matherne, LLC. can provide the resources and experience necessary to protect and effectively defend suits related to all types of products. We are knowledgeable regarding expert witnesses and have a keen understanding of the law and of scientific analysis. Types of products liability cases we have handled include mass tort and multi-district litigation, design and manufacturing defects, failure to warn claims, construction defects and accidents, consumer product claims, asbestos-related injuries, environmental claims and many more.

Responsive Communication

The firm stresses open and frequent communications with clients to insure that the services provided meet the clients’ expectations. Our billing systems are also flexible, providing the information required in a format and with a frequency that conforms to a client’s preferences. We offer seminars as further means of sharing critical legal information and of providing you with the latest legal developments.

Cost Effective Representation

We are dedicated to delivering cost-effective legal services with optimal results. We have a depth of attorney resources to apply when specific fields of expertise are required. The firm has developed an excellent reputation for its trial attorneys and success in trial. We provide not only case analysis, but also estimates and budgets up front, so that our client can determine an appropriate course of action with full knowledge of the costs involved. When in the best interest of the client, we advocate alternative dispute resolution as a cost-effective alternative to litigation.

Experienced Counsel

Our attorneys have experience and knowledge in products liability litigation of many types and have tried many products liability cases to verdict.

We currently serve as National Coordinating Counsel for one products liability client and oversee litigation for it in 28 states.
DO&CB’s diversity in thought, experience and backgrounds reflects its corporate clients’ law departments, clients and customers. The firm specializes in the following substantive areas:

Complex Corporate and Commercial Litigation
Life, Annuities, Health and Disability Products and ERISA Plan Litigation
Insurance Products & Employee Benefits Plan Support and Advice
Insurance Regulatory Law • Hotel Industry Litigation • Banking Litigation
Defense Litigation and Products Liability • Insurance Coverage
Bankruptcy, Workout and Creditors’ Rights • Corporate Recovery Actions
Reinsurance • Real Estate/Land Use

Representative Clients

Aetna Inc./Aetna Health Inc.  Navigant Consulting, Inc.
AFLAC  New York Life Insurance Company
American General Life Companies  Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance
AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company  Company
JP Morgan Chase & Co.  Panasonic North America
Marriott International Inc.  Prudential Financial and Subsidiaries
MassMutual Life Insurance Company  Symetra Financial Corp.
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company  UnitedHealthcare/Ingenix/Oxford
Mondelēz International, Inc.  Xerox Corp.
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AREAS OF expertise

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Appellate
Commercial Litigation
Corporate
Governmental
Hospitality
Insurance
Insurance Fraud & S.i.u.
Intellectual Property
Labor & Employment Defense
Legal Malpractice Defense
Medical Malpractice Defense
Negligent Security
Personal Injury Defense
Premises Liability
Product Liability
Professional Liability Defense
Property & Casualty
Subrogation
Transportation

OUR firm

Hamilton, Miller & Birthisel, L.L.P, with it’s over 50 lawyers, is an AV® rated minority certified trial law firm representing clients through the United States and the Caribbean in state and federal courts. We are a highly specialized, boutique firm serving major domestic and international insurers and mid-sized to Fortune 500 corporations. Our attorneys have the legal knowledge and experience to defend our clients from a position of strength, settling a dispute when in our client’s best interests to do so, or aggressively litigating the matter through trial and appeal. Our approach means efficient case management where claims are evaluated quickly and clients are provided with the most cost effective path to resolution.

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Ken Perry Law Firm, LLC is a boutique litigation firm focusing on handling litigation—including products liability, life sciences, and catastrophic injury defense, as well as other commercial and complex matters—for business entities. The firm’s target clients include large corporations and other well-established entities; however, the firm also represents mid-size and smaller companies facing complex legal challenges. Based in Birmingham, Alabama, the Firm’s cases are often pending in some of the most challenging venues in the U.S.

The Firm’s experience includes the representation of the manufacturers of various consumer and commercial products, including, among others, automotive, mobile homes, heavy trucks, tools, recreational vehicles, industrial equipment, and prescription drugs. The Firm’s experience includes both tort and breach-of-warranty cases, and the Firm’s experience also includes representation of some of the largest product distributors nationally.

The Firm's founder has been a sustaining member of PLAC (formerly the Products Liability Advisory Council) since 2003. PLAC is a not-for-profit association of product manufacturers, suppliers, retailers and select regulatory, litigation and appellate professionals who work to shape the common law of product liability and complex regulation, provide guidance on changing regulations, and strategically help corporations manage risk throughout the entire product lifecycle.
At Kuchler Polk Weiner, experience, integrity and an unrelenting desire to achieve success for our clients are our guiding principles.

**KUCHLER POLK WEINER ON DIVERSITY**

Kuchler Polk Weiner is a certified Women’s Business Enterprise (“WBE”). Our three founding partners are women, one of whom is also a minority.

To us, diversity is about our client often being the only party in the courtroom with female or minority lawyers who actually have a speaking role and are in command of the litigation. We feel diversity is about having corporate clients who truly trust us with their complex litigation and not simply the “small stuff.” Diversity is about having jurors anxious to see us in action to determine if we can “hold our own” against the more traditional gray-suited lawyers and finding that we do more than just hold our own. Diversity is about being able to relate to that working mom on the jury because we are working parents, ourselves. Diversity is about speaking the language of the everyday person who just happens to be sitting on the bench or in the jury box because we are everyday people. Diversity is who we are – not something we do. Because of who we are, our female trial lawyers are in high demand with our Fortune 500 clients and we’re achieving great trial results for them.

**PRACTICE AREAS**

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**REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS**

- Altria
- Anadarko Petroleum Corporation
- Broadspire
- Chevron
- ConocoPhillips Company
- Daimler Trucks North America, LLC
- Deere & Company
- DuPont
- ExxonMobil Corporation
- Ford Motor Company
- Ingersoll-Rand Company
- Merck & Co., Inc.
- Phillips 66
- Ramco
- Sasol Chemicals (USA), LLC
- Shell Oil Company
- The Chemours Company
- Transcanada USA Pipeline
- Tuthill Corporation
- Vivendi Universal, S.A.
Established in 1991, Lee, Hong, Degerman, Kang & Waimey (LHDK&W) is one of the largest Asian-American owned law firms in the United States with approximately 40 lawyers and offices in Los Angeles, Orange County, Virginia (Metropolitan Washington, DC), Seoul, and London. For over 25 years, LHDK&W has provided quality legal counsel to international conglomerates, including members of the Global 500.

Representative Clients

LG Electronics
NBC Universal
SM Entertainment
Roland U.S.
Innocean Worldwide Americas
STX Offshore & Shipbuilding
Hyundai Merchant Marine
Asiana Airlines
Coway USA, Inc.
FNS Logistics

LG Electronics
Porsche Cars North America, Inc.
Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG
KIA Motors
Nexen Tire
Autoliv
HJC America
Glovis America
GenX Clothing
Jinro America, Inc.
Lotte International

Octopus Restaurant Group
Hyundai Capital
Korea Development Bank
KDIC
KEB Hana Bank
Shinhan Bank
Hana Financial
KB Insurance
B. Riley & Co.
K-SURE

Areas of Practice

Intellectual Property
International Arbitration & Dispute Resolution
Products Liability
Banking & Financial Services
Complex & Class Action Litigation
Business & Corporate Transactions
Labor & Employment
Real Estate Transactions & Litigation

Practice Highlights

Intellectual Property: LHDK&W has a nationally ranked IP practice, providing services in patent and trademark prosecution, patent litigation, and technology licensing. Intellectual Asset Management magazine in its May/June 2016 issue listed LHDK&W as the No. 1 firm in the U.S. as to strength and quality of consumer electronics patents. LHDK&W is also perennially ranked by Intellectual Property Today as one of the top 100 patent firms in the U.S. overall (64th in 2015).

International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution: LHDK&W attorneys in its Korea, California and London offices represent clients before international arbitration tribunals, such as LMAA, ICC, SIAC and those constituted under UNCITRAL rules. Additionally, LHDK&W represents clients in enforcement actions based upon foreign arbitral awards or other ancillary proceedings in the United States. LHDK&W often works with local foreign attorneys to coordinate foreign litigation and other legal matters. Over the past several years, the firm has worked with counsel in various countries, including the United Kingdom, Korea, Singapore, Norway, Marshall Islands, United Arab Emirates, Canada, and China in coordinating litigation, arbitrations, global restructuring and transactional matters.

Products Liability: LHDK&W’s products liability team has long represented automobile manufacturers in catastrophic and wrongful death product liability litigation, class action litigation, and national discovery coordination. LHDK&W advises its automotive clients on various regulatory issues and regularly interfaces with government agencies. Additionally, LHDK&W attorneys defended product liability cases involving tires, automotive parts and after-market equipment, motorcycle helmets, propane and butane canisters, construction equipment, power tools, medical devices and industrial chemicals.

Banking and Financial Services: LHDK&W provides sophisticated litigation and transaction services to banks, financial services companies, and government agencies. We regularly advise financial institutions in real estate and lending transactions, financial services related litigation, creditor-side bankruptcy matters, loan workouts, and foreclosure-related litigation.

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LLF lawyers are product liability experts. We serve as local, state, regional, and national counsel for numerous manufacturers, distributors, and retailers, including:

- Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- Wockhardt USA LLC
- I-Flow
- Beretta U.S.A. Corp.
- TASER International, Inc.
- Petco Animal Supplies Stores, Inc.
- Zurich Insurance
- Weatherby, Inc.
- PACCAR Inc.

WHAT WE DO

LLF lawyers handle matters in a wide range of practice areas, but have particular expertise and an impressive trial record in product liability cases. We have litigated against notable plaintiff firms across the country. In addition to litigated matters, LLF Lawyers counsel clients on warnings and instruction manuals, as well as safety bulletins, product recalls, and related risk-management strategies. Representative engagements include defense of:

- New Jersey pharmaceutical manufacturer in Metoclopramide complex coordinated lawsuit involving thousands of plaintiffs. (San Francisco)
- Medical device manufacturer in actions throughout California involving continuous infusion therapy pumps, including coordinated action. (Orange and Marin)
- Exclusive U.S. distributor of Taiwanese folding bicycle manufacturer in catastrophic injury (quadriplegia) case. (San Francisco)
- Vermont manufacturer of meteorological evaluation towers in wrongful death action involving agricultural pilot. (Contra Costa)
- Log home manufacturer in action involving allegedly defective log home components. (Placer County)
- Ohio roller press manufacturer in operator’s suit involving traumatically amputated and crushed fingers on both hands. (Madera)
- Old West replica firearms manufacturer in catastrophic personal injury actions. (Arizona and Texas, Iowa, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania)
- U.S. firearms manufacturer in wrongful death trial arising out of an accidental shooting among teenagers. (Alameda)
- Construction equipment manufacturer in wrongful death action involving tip-over of a self-propelled elevating work platform. (Alameda)
- Electronic control device manufacturer in various wrongful death actions. (California and Federal Courts)
- Recreational vehicle manufacturer in fire subrogation lawsuit alleging design defects. (Santa Clara)
- Composite decking manufacturer in multi-unit apartment fire loss. (Sacramento)
- Assisted Italian firearms manufacturer with draft of new instruction manuals and warnings for a variety of products.
- Assisted meteorological evaluation tower manufacturer with revisions to instruction manual following wrongful death action based in part on alleged failure to warn.
- Shuttle bus door manufacturer in wrongful death action involving passenger ejection. (San Francisco)

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Uncompromising Quality ♦ Unwavering Dedication ♦ Unqualified Candor
Nicolson Law Group is a sophisticated group of highly experienced and devoted litigation attorneys committed to providing our clients with focused, creative and responsive representation. We don’t do everything, but what we do, we do exceptionally well.

We are former “big firm” attorneys who have deliberately chosen to work in a boutique environment with low overhead to enable us to pass on as much savings to our clients as possible. Our deep expertise, entrepreneurial spirit, distinctive culture and rare personal approach to relationships creates a dynamic client experience that enables us to deliver on our promise of results and value.

Our clients include Fortune and Global 500 companies, domestic and international manufacturers, insurers, private and commercial entities, as well as academic institutions. We distinguish ourselves by approaching each case with the seasoned experience, legal skill and deep knowledge that we have each developed through our many years of practice. While we have a spirit that drives us to achieve the right results for the right reasons, our clients also value the human experience we provide as much as the tangible results achieved.

Nicolson Law Group is a female-owned law firm certified by the National Women’s Business Enterprise Council and a proud member of NAMWOLF. Senior attorneys of the firm are AV-rated by Martindale Hubbell.

Areas of Practice
Product Liability
Retail Liability
Insurance Coverage and Litigation
Employment Law
School Law

Headquartered near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, we serve our clients in state and federal courts in NJ, PA and DE and serve as national counsel for a global manufacturer in product liability litigation nationwide.

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Paul Garcia & Associates is a civil litigation boutique law firm specializing in lawsuits throughout the San Antonio and South Texas Region. The firm has offices in San Antonio as well as Harlingen, so that we can meet the growing needs of our clients that continue to expand through the Southern area of Texas. Paul Garcia has a proven record of success and the firm specializes in representing businesses and corporations with disputes arising from transactional matters to the most serious accidents. Our practice is primarily focused on the defense of businesses and corporations with a proven ability to win cases in counties that are known to be Plaintiff friendly throughout the state.

Innovative Legal Services for Your Business™

At Paul Garcia & Associates, our philosophy is to put the clients first and obtain results in a cost effective manner. The legal team at Paul Garcia & Associates believes that efficient legal services that provide proven results will always benefit the client and consumers. The firm practice is to resolve a case as quickly as possible while ensuring the client’s interest are always protected. The attorneys at Paul Garcia & Associates will often project the estimated costs of legal fees versus the benefit of early settlement, so that clients will see and understand the effectiveness of early disposition of cases.
Our firm was founded over 20 years ago on the premise that great legal work requires hard work, attention to every detail, and above all, reliable expertise.

Our attorneys have experience handling “bet the company matters” as outside counsel and as general counsel for public and privately-held companies, public entities, and institutions of higher education.

We serve clients nationally with offices in Ohio, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.

We know Product Liability.
Perez & Morris attorneys take the time to develop real relationships with our clients to fully understand their business and appreciate the issues with which they are faced on a daily basis. We work closely with our clients from the moment a potential claim arises through all aspects of litigation. We work not only to resolve that claim, but to weigh the impact of that claim on the client’s business moving forward. We then counsel the client as to potential changes and modifications that should be implemented to minimize future risk.

Our attorneys primarily focus their practice on defending manufacturers, suppliers, retailers, and distributors in cases where their products have been alleged to have caused catastrophic personal injury and property damage due to a design defect, manufacturing defect, or failure to warn. We have represented these clients in matters involving a wide array of products including pharmaceuticals, consumer products, heavy machinery, industrial equipment, agricultural equipment, food products, and HVAC systems. Our attorneys recent experience includes managing multi-district litigation on behalf of a large pharmaceutical company and successfully defeating claims of over 750 plaintiffs alleging injuries arising out of the use of pain-relief medication.

Perez & Morris litigation lawyers have experience before a large number of state and federal courts as well as before the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. Our lawyers are AV Preeminent rated by Martindale-Hubbell and have repeatedly been recognized as Super Lawyers by Super Lawyers Magazine and Top Lawyers by Columbus C.E.O. Magazine. Our lawyers are members of the Defense Research Institute (DRI) and local trial lawyer associations.

As the largest Hispanic-owned law firm in Ohio, diversity and inclusion is at the core of who we are.
Results. Leadership. Lasting Value
We measure success by achieving solutions that ensure results and lasting value for our clients.

Products Liability Practice

Rusing Lopez & Lizardi’s team of trial lawyers has considerable experience defending product liability claims brought against retailers, distributors and manufacturers. We have been involved in actions involving strict product liability, negligence, express and implied warranty, fitness for intended purpose, and subrogation. The products involved in past and present litigation include machine parts, vehicles & engines, household goods including water heaters, space heaters and gas ranges, tires, forklifts, ATVs, vitamins and supplements, medical devices and pharmaceutical products.

Representative Matters:
- Successful defense of Brush Wellman, Inc. in a multi-plaintiff toxic tort action involving Beryllium.
- Obtained summary judgment on design defect and warranty complaint for $2 million dollar claim against machine part manufacturer for severe burns suffered from allegedly defective water heater.
- Pursued actions against major ATV manufacturer for failed parts.
- Part of national defense team for large pharmaceutical company in multidistrict litigation and trial team that obtained defense verdict on ten million dollar claim.
- Negotiated favorable resolution for national vitamin company in relation to alleged PCB levels in fish oil supplements.

Rusing Lopez & Lizardi is a certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and has been a proud member of the National Association of Minority and Women Owned Law Firms (NAMWOLF) since 2013. RL&L has become home to some of the Southwest’s most accomplished attorneys. RL&L is listed as a Tier I Tucson, Arizona law firm in U.S. News and World Report’s Best Law Firms. Our lawyers are featured in the Best Lawyers in America in fifteen separate practice areas, and for the thirteenth consecutive year, RL&L attorneys have been recognized by the national rating organization, Super Lawyers. Our firm also holds an A-V rating from Martindale-Hubbell.

Rusing Lopez & Lizardi, PLLC has a confident team with experience and the resources to provide your company with the best possible counsel. Attorneys in our firm are licensed to practice in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, Texas, Nebraska, Washington D.C., New Hampshire, and New York.

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About the Firm

We are one of the largest women-owned law firms in the United States. We are known for the high quality of our work, a targeted focus on strategy and business goals, and the ability to shape cases in ways that best benefit our clients. In litigation, we have represented companies in product, toxic tort, mass tort and class action defense; insurance coverage disputes; employment; business to business disputes over collaboration agreements; distribution and supply agreements, trademark, licensing, and advertising matters.

Our Product Liability Practice

We focus on understanding the business goals of our clients and developing the strategies that best achieve those goals. We begin every case with a strategic assessment of the legal, factual, and business impacts of the litigation – and we do that as a value-added benefit. We firmly believe that organizing the key aspects of a case from the very beginning leads to better and more efficient results.

Our reputation for product litigation is shown by the selection of Firm members to be lead editors of the PLI Treatise, Product Liability Law, Strategies and Best Practices. Two of our lawyers are Sustaining Members of PLAC (the Product Liability Advisory Council), a national invitation-only bar association whose members are recognized for their skill in product liability law and practice.

We have defended dozens of drugs, biologics, devices, chemicals, foods, and consumer products. We defend personal injury litigation, consumer fraud class actions, insurance coverage disputes, contract disputes, and other product-related claims. Our firm includes lawyers with doctoral degrees, who have designed, implemented and reported on clinical and laboratory research, and have advanced training in data analytics.

We have successfully presented complex factual issues to juries and judges in ways that are both understandable and persuasive. We team well with other firms and enjoy specialty roles on multi-firm national defense teams.

What Our Clients say

“A BLUEPRINT FOR WOMEN-OWNED LAW FIRMS”

“ADVICE THAT IS CONCISE, TIMELY, ON-POINT AND COST EFFECTIVE”

“THE QUALITY OF THE WORK IS UNIQUE”
Pharmaceutical Product Liability Litigation and Risk Assessment

Since 1987, our firm has represented pharmaceutical and medical device companies in the defense of product liability litigation and in litigation risk assessments involving pharmaceuticals, vaccines and other biological products and medical devices. The litigations have included claims for death, birth defects, systemic neurologic and rheumatologic diseases, systemic autoimmune and other immunologic illnesses and other injuries, some of which have been asserted as part of clinical trials. Our defenses in these matters have involved the use of sophisticated demonstrative aids, mock juries, and the interpretation for lay people of complicated expert scientific testimony. We have coordinated defenses and served as lead counsel in multi-defendant cases, national and New York State coordinating counsel in mass tort litigation, and national scientific evidence counsel.

We have been successful by combining in-depth industry knowledge and scientific expertise. We have developed expert defenses based on a wide range of specialties in medicine, including immunology, neurology, rheumatology, toxicology, pharmacology and epidemiology. Members of the Practice bring the experience and understanding gained in hundreds of major client representations, successfully presenting legal and factual issues to juries, judges, arbitrators/mediators and other decision makers in ways that are both understandable and persuasive.

We have represented clients in some of the largest mass torts in the U.S. and in other pattern litigation and individual disputes. Roles have also included National Coordinating Counsel, Regional Counsel, Member of Defendants' Steering Committee, and Trial Counsel. We team well with other firms and have been members of several "virtual" defense firms playing specialty roles in large-scale litigation as Science Counsel, Regional Counsel or Discovery Counsel.

Representative Attorney Matters:

- National Science Counsel for mass tort defense charged with developing scientific and medical defenses and coordinating the courtroom presentation of all scientific evidence in the fields of neurology, infectious diseases and epidemiology.
- Risk assessment and risk management counseling for (a) products in co-development between biotech company and pharmaceutical company and (b) marketed products to determine risks of litigation by consumers, patients, commercial partners and other parties, and to counsel on methods of minimizing or disposing of litigation risks, prior to product launch or in connection with possible acquisition of another company.
- Lead Counsel and member of Defendants' Steering Committee in New York coordinated proceedings of over 500 pharmaceutical actions involving diet drugs and latex.
- Lead and trial counsel over four decades in one-off product liability cases involving pharmaceutical and biotech products, vaccines, medical devices and clinical trial claims, resulting in defense verdicts, summary judgments and favorable settlements.

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Product Liability Experience

- More than twenty years deposing experts and trying cases throughout the U.S. for auto manufacturers in high exposure, death/catastrophic injury cases. Alleged defects included seatbelt, airbag, rollover, and a variety of other alleged design and manufacturing issues.

  Longest trial: Five weeks.
  Largest demand at trial: $250 Million.

- Medical device cases including hip and knee implants, pain pumps, orthopedic screw, and pacemaker cases.
- Set national record in pattern limitation for lowest settlement amount achieved in a case.
- Domestic and global manufacturers (e.g., China, Japan, Malaysia, Europe)
- Served as national, regional and local counsel in product liability matters, working as a team.
- Statewide local counsel in pattern litigation in both, state and federal courts involving food supplement.
- Experience with various food poisoning/allergic reaction cases, including outbreaks and deaths.
- Local counsel in pharmaceutical cases drugs alleged to have caused various kinds of cancer.
- Consumer product property and personal injury litigation involving household appliances, construction equipment, and electrical equipment.
- Toxic tort exposure including Benzene, fungicides, insulation, and others.

Product Liability Professional Involvement

- NAMWOLF Product Liability Practice Area Committee.
- International Association of Defense Counsel Product Liability Committee and Drug, Device and Biotech Committee.
- Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel Product Liability Committee and Drug, Device and Biotechnology Committee.
- Defense Research Institute Product Liability Committee and Drug and Medical Device Committee.
- Florida Defense Lawyers Association, Vice-Chair, Product Liability Committee.
- American Bar Association Women In Products Liability Committee.

Product Liability Recognition

- Frequent speaker on the state and national level on product liability issues.

Additional General Background

Distinctions

- 2019 Orange County Women Lawyer’s Association Advancement of Women Award
- AV Preeminent® rated attorneys
- Northern and Southern California Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars
- WBENC and CPUC certified
- ABOTA member attorneys
- Featured in Law360’s “The Ceiling Smashers” and “Best Firms for Female and Minority Attorneys”

TRIAL READY | 900 + jury trials, 250 + nonjury trials, 300 + trials to verdict and 275 + arbitrations

DIVERSE | 55% female attorneys, 22% minority attorneys. Certified Women’s Business Enterprise

EFFECTIVE | Included in Daily Journal’s “Top Defense Verdicts” list

INVOLVED | Active pro bono program, high school mentorship for emerging female leaders and active in Public Counsel

ESTABLISHED | Strong California presence since 1989. Offices in Los Angeles, Orange County, San Francisco and Seattle, WA

PRODUCTS LIABILITY TEAM:

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PRODUCTS LIABILITY AND MASS TORTS

Our products practice involves a wide range of products, and includes local, regional and national responsibilities. We have managed the activities of local counsel in case development of individual cases or in the mass tort context. We have tried numerous cases to verdict in Colorado and many other jurisdictions. We specialize in the development of scientific evidence and challenges to opposing experts through discovery and Daubert motions. We have developed creative strategies for many Daubert hearings, and worked with court appointed experts or technical advisors in a variety of contexts.

Representative Products:

**Vehicles and component parts:** airplanes, recreational vehicles, automobiles, riding lawn mowers, bicycles, engines, and forklifts.

**Heavy equipment:** hoists, rock crushing and asphalt plant equipment, furnaces, and ski lift equipment.

**Pharmaceuticals/chemicals:** various human pharmaceuticals, blood products, cleaning products, herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers.

**Medical devices:** heart valves, catheters, IV pumps, breast implants, and hip implants.

**Safety equipment:** respirators for industrial and home application, helmets, and vehicle restraint systems.

**Miscellaneous:** in floor heating systems, engines, ladders, lawn care equipment, water heaters, beverage dispensers, baggage movers, food, beverages and food and beverage processors, asbestos, and silica.

**OUR WAR PRODUCTS TEAM:**

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WTK’S PRODUCT LIABILITY PRACTICE IS WIDELY RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE FINEST IN THE REGION.

Our products liability practice group represents manufacturers and companies in multiple industries nationwide. Our diverse and accomplished team is made up of creative, persuasive, and seasoned litigators. Fortune 500 companies recognize WTK as a dependable firm for providing quality client service. WTK has received recognition in “Best Law Firms” by U.S. News & World Report and Best Lawyers in the area of product liability. Best Lawyers of America honored Vickie Turner as the 2012 and 2018 Lawyer of the Year—Product Liability Defense for San Diego.

Our attorneys are skilled and experienced in defending manufacturers, distributors, and retailers in product liability lawsuits. We understand the practical considerations that affect the defense of product liability suits and we continually assess the merits of each case to avoid imprudent litigation and unnecessary defense costs. We also appreciate the effect of the defense and settlement of one lawsuit on other similar cases. Our goal in every instance is to protect our clients’ interests in the most cost-effective way possible.

ABOUT THE FIRM

Founded in 1991 and headquartered in San Diego, Wilson Turner Kosmo LLP is one of the largest WBENC certified women-owned law firms in the region. The Firm is AV-rated and listed in Martindale-Hubbell’s Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers and was recognized by Corporate Counsel magazine as one of the “Go-To” law firms for Fortune 100 companies. The Firm ranked Number 1 in Law360’s Glass Ceiling Report for The Best Law Firms For Female Attorneys in the small firm category (20-49 lawyers) and Number 2 in Law360’s Glass Ceiling Report for The Best Law Firms For Female Partners in the same category. The Firm has 35 attorneys representing clients throughout California in the primary practice areas of employment law, class actions, business, and product liability litigation.

REPRESENTATIVE SUCCESSES:

• Defended an automobile manufacturer in a wrongful death suit against allegations of roof and seatbelt failure
• Defended a construction equipment manufacturer in a wrongful death action brought alleging manufacture and warning defects
• Defended an automobile manufacturer in a suit brought by two young men and a young woman suffering partial amputations and third degree burns over as much as 60% of their bodies as a result of an alleged failure of their pick-up truck’s “mid-ship” fuel tank
• Defended a pharmaceutical company in claims of cancer caused by use of prescribed medication
• Defended a chemical manufacturer in a suit claiming personal injuries from exposure to freon-based solvents in the workplace
• Defended an automobile manufacturer in a suit involving allegations that a sixteen-year-old suffered brain injuries as a result of alleged defects in her passenger restraint system

MEET THE TEAM
Currently Representing Over 15 Fortune 500 Companies

Zuber Lawler & Del Duca LLP ("ZLD") is a 40-attorney law firm that seeks to improve upon the attorney selectivity standards of large law firms via highly controlled firm growth. As one of the largest minority-owned law firms in the United States, ZLD provides legal services to large corporations and financial institutions, as well as funds and government entities.

OUR ATTORNEYS

ZLD attorneys possess extensive experience successfully defending iconic corporations in high-stakes product liability litigation. Our attorneys have substantial experience:

- Taking product liability and pharmaceutical liability cases to trial and prevail
- Managing mass tort litigation and class actions

Current product liability clients include a Fortune 500 brand-side pharmaceutical company (and its corporate predecessors) and a NYSE-traded international furniture company.

CATEGORIES OF SUBJECT MATTER EXPERIENCE

- Asbestos
- Chemicals
- Construction Equipment
- Consumer Products and Warnings
- Food and Beverages
- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Outdoor Products & Power Equipment
- Pharmaceuticals
- Recreational Vehicles & Sporting Goods
- Toxic Torts
- Toys

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