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### OVERVIEW

Jonathan Handler represents corporate clients in complex commercial litigation with an emphasis on large-scale contract and product liability disputes. He has represented clients in state and federal courts in Massachusetts and elsewhere in matters involving toxic torts, wireless telecommunications, construction, accounting, litigation, insurance broker malpractice, unfair and deceptive trade practices, and mergers and acquisitions. He also assists corporate clients in a variety of industries, including specialty chemicals and aerospace, in evaluating the risks and benefits of particular actions and counsels them on ways to mitigate risk and avoid litigation.

Jonathan has been published on a variety of legal subjects, including "earn out" disputes, Chapter 93A, the work product doctrine and recent developments in product liability law. He is a former member of the firm's Executive Board and previously served as office managing partner of the firm's Boston office.

### EXPERIENCE

Successfully defended alternative fuels system manufacturer against breach of contract claims brought by seller of acquired business seeking "earn out" payments

Successfully represented non-profit Educational Broadband Service providers in obtaining preliminary injunction and partial summary judgment against wireless telecommunications company

Defended a construction products/specialty chemicals company in cost recovery and wrongful death lawsuits arising from a ceiling collapse in the I-90 Connector Tunnel on the Big Dig project in Boston; all claims were settled on highly favorable terms

Successfully defended a "Big Four" accounting firm against claims of professional malpractice before a three-member panel, which issued a favorable decision on plaintiffs' claims against our client after a five-day arbitration, and a Superior Court judge, who entered summary judgment in our client's favor

on a related third-party claim for contribution

Represented a commercial building owner in a complex tort action seeking to recover for the failure of pre-stressed concrete pilings that led to the collapse and condemnation of a waterfront office building, where we obtained a favorable settlement for our client after extensive discovery and mediation

Successfully defended an aerospace subsidiary of a Fortune 100 company against a tortious interference claim in U.S. District Court, where the court granted our client's motion for summary judgment after extensive discovery

Defended an insurance company in a complex bad faith claim arising out of payment of life insurance proceeds, where the Massachusetts Appeals Court reversed and vacated, ruling that our client had not engaged in any unfair or deceptive practices after multiple superior court judges had ruled against our client (then represented by predecessor counsel)

## **SERVICES**

### **LITIGATION**

#### **MASS TORT LITIGATION**

#### **PRODUCT LIABILITY AND TORTS LITIGATION**

## **INDUSTRIES**

### **CONSTRUCTION**

### **INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE**

### **INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE DISPUTES**

### **REAL ESTATE LITIGATION**

## **INSIGHTS**

### **FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION: THE TWENTY-SIX WORDS THAT CREATED THE INTERNET**

Moderator, May 19, 2021, Webinar

### **DAY PITNEY PRO BONO CLIENT INTERNATIONAL SPY MUSEUM HOLDS GRAND OPENING AT L'ENFANT PLAZA IN DC**

Attendee, May 12, 2019, International Spy Museum, L'Enfant Plaza, Washington, DC

### **GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION**

Co-author, September 18, 2018, *Bloomberg Environment's Environment & Energy Report*

### **WILLS FOR VETERANS**

Volunteer, November 8, 2018, Day Pitney LLP, Boston, MA

## **SPLIT MASS. TOP COURT SAYS STRICT TIME BAR CAN APPLY TO 93A**

Co-author, August 29, 2018, *Law360*

## **NEWS**

### **JONATHAN HANDLER ELECTED TO NEW ENGLAND LEGAL FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Featured, July 11, 2022, *Day Pitney Press Release*

### **'WE ALL LOST A YEAR': BOSTON ATTYS RETURN TO CHANGED HUB**

Quoted, February 22, 2021, *Law360*

### **DAY PITNEY CONTINUES SUPPORT OF GLAD**

Mentioned, October 30, 2020, *Day Pitney Press Release*

### **INFO FROM JOURNALISTS ISN'T 'WORK PRODUCT'**

Quoted, January 3, 2020, *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*

### **NEW MASS. TOP COURT FAVORS TOUGH QUERIES, LONG ARGUMENTS**

Quoted, March 20, 2019, *Law360*

## **EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS**

### **EDUCATION**

University of Virginia School of Law, J.D., 1992

Harvard College, A.B., 1988

### **ADMISSIONS**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

### **AFFILIATIONS**

New England Legal Foundation

Federal Bar Association

Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers

Boston Bar Association

American Bar Foundation

# RECOGNITION AND COMMUNITY

## RECOGNITION

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), Product Liability Litigation - Defendants, 2024

Selected to the list of Massachusetts *Super Lawyers* (Thomson Reuters), Business Litigation, 2004, 2006, 2010-2021

*No aspect of these advertisements has been approved by the highest court of any state. See Awards Methodology.*

## COMMUNITY

Alray Scholars Program, Mentor, 2017-2021

Thrive Scholars (formerly SCS Noonan Scholars), Mentor, 2018-2022

Big Brothers Big Sisters/2.0 Program, Mentor, 2017-2018

Greater Boston Legal Services, Board of Directors, 2001-2010

Boston University School of Law, Program on Legal Writing, Instructor, 1998-1999