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Shawn has a successful track record defending businesses and insurers in various personal injury and property damage cases involving premises and municipal liability, motor vehicle accidents, trucking liability, dram shop claims, school, sports, and recreational torts, property damage claims, and intentional torts. He also defends claims pursuant to the New York State Labor Law for construction related accidents as well as representing clients pursuing insurance coverage claims. Additionally, Shawn handles civil claims involving product liability.

Shawn also has previous experience litigating medical malpractice and toxic tort claims.

Since 2019, Shawn has been included in the New York Metro edition of Super Lawyers as a Rising Star. This honor is given to the top 2.5 percent of attorneys in the New York Metro area 40 years old or younger, or in practice for 10 years or less. Super Lawyers lists are issued by Thomson Reuters. A description of the selection methodology can be found

at https://www.superlawyers.com/about/selection-process/.

Shawn was also selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2022 edition of *Best Lawyers in America* for his personal injury litigation practice. "Ones to Watch" awards recognize extraordinary lawyers who have been in private practice for less than 10 years in the United States and is based entirely on peer review.

In his spare time, Shawn provides pro bono services to low-income New Yorkers and he was previously honored as a New York State Pro Bono Scholar.

## **Experience**

Results may vary depending on your particular facts and

#### **Assistant**

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### **Industries**

Retail

Abuse & Misconduct Claims

Automotive

Construction

Food, Beverage & Hospitality

Insurance

Manufacturing

Recreational Sports and Hobbies

#### **Practices**

General Liability

Litigation

**Commercial Transportation** 

**Product Liability** 

**Toxic Tort** 

Commercial Litigation

### Education

University of Maryland, B.A., 2007

Pace University School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 2015

## **Bar Admissions**

New York

## **Court Admissions**

United States District Court for the

## Shawn D. Wagner

Partner

# Weber ☐ Gallagher

## legal circumstances.

- Secured a trial victory in NY State Supreme Court, on a case triggering claims under New York State's Labor Law and common law negligence. The Labor Law Section 200 and common law negligence claims were dismissed by the Judge. The Judge found insufficient evidence for the jury to conclude that our client was negligent, and therefore found that our client was not liable for the plaintiff's accident.
- Won a defense verdict in a case involving an accident between a bus and a minivan in Kings County, NY. Despite claims that the plaintiff suffered multiple traumatic herniated discs in the cervical and lumbar spine, requiring a cervical corpectomy and fusion, the jury determined that the plaintiff did not sustain the requisite "serious injury" to bring suit, thereby warranted a full dismissal.
- Won summary judgment on behalf of a multinational chain of convenience stores dismissing a high exposure premises liability case in Kings County, NY, by establishing that the alleged defect, a decommissioned fuel cap, was de minimus, trivial and therefore, not actionable.

**Professional & Community Involvement** 

- Hispanic National Bar Association
- Dominican Bar Association

Eastern District of New York United States District Court for the Southern District of New York