

Transportation



Transportation companies and their insurers engage us for a range of matters, including cargo and insurance issues, bodily injury actions, and workers' compensation and employment claims. Our litigation experience encompasses jury trials, bench trials, and proceedings at the appellate, district justice and administrative levels. We also provide arbitration and mediation counsel. Our familiarity with state and federal rules and regulations includes:

- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Surface Transportation Board
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Experience

- Secured dismissal of several truck drivers and trucking company clients in various personal injury litigation due to defective service.
- Coordinated defense of trucking company and truck driver clients in lawsuits arising from multi-vehicle accidents, including five lawsuits arising from nineteen vehicle accident in New Jersey and eight lawsuits arising from six vehicle accident in Pennsylvania.
- Defended motor carriers and broker clients in lawsuits arising under the Carmack Amendment.
- Evaluated and negotiated cargo claims, including household goods, fine art, and other collectible items.
- The New York Appellate Division, First Department, reversed the trial court's increase change in the percentage of the plaintiff's comparative fault and almost \$1.8M increase to the damages awarded to the plaintiff by a jury following trial. The jury previously found the plaintiff's comparative fault was greater than our client and found the plaintiff's damages totaled \$125,000, rejecting the plaintiff's contention that, besides a broken elbow, she injured her back which required back surgery as the result of the pedestrian/auto accident. We appealed the grant of the post-trial motion to the New York Appellate Division, First Department. The First Department unanimously reversed the trial judge's post-trial order, reinstating the jury's verdict.
- Defense counsel in numerous trucking catastrophic accident cases throughout Pennsylvania in all counties and other commercial and insurance defense litigation with successful outcomes.