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Travis has extensive experience litigating various insurance subrogation matters including automobile, property, PIP/Med Pay, uninsured/underinsured motorist, and workers' compensation claims.

Ensuring cases are handled thoroughly, Travis works closely with his clients from first notice of loss, through claim investigation, negotiations, litigation and trial. Travis draws on his vast knowledge of subrogation claims to develop innovative strategies to deliver cost-effective solutions for his clients, securing maximum recovery of his clients' subrogation claims.

Travis' practice also includes the defense of corporations and insurance companies in construction and general liability matters, as well as a background in toxic tort defense claims. These cases are often multi-party lawsuits, with significant damages, alleging various forms of construction defect, product liability, improper design and installation and, in the case of toxic tort claims, exposure to various substances including asbestos, mercury, and other substances.

### **Experience**

- Results may vary depending on your particular facts and legal circumstances.
- Represented a building materials manufacturer in multi-party construction litigation involving eight-figure damages to a structure. The plaintiff alleged the products manufactured by our client were defective in their design and, because of that, the plaintiff's building had suffered serious structural damages. Our position was that there was no defect in the design of our client's product, which allowed for various forms of use within the industry, and the building's structural integrity had been compromised due to the failures of other materials utilized in the

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#### Industries

Construction Insurance Automotive

## **Practices**

General Liability Subrogation Insurance Litigation

#### Education

Duquesne University School of Law, J.D., 2006

Allegheny College, B.A., 2003

## **Bar Admissions**

Pennsylvania West Virginia

#### **Court Admissions**

United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia

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- construction process and/or improper use and maintenance by the plaintiff. Our client paid a proportionately nominal amount to obtain a dismissal of all claims against it.
- Represented a commercial HVAC distributor in multi-party construction litigation. The plaintiff alleged that the HVAC units supplied by our client were defective and, because of that, the plaintiff's HVAC system had failed to function properly from the time it was installed. Our position was that the equipment's failures were the result of poor overall system design by the architect and/or improper use and maintenance by the plaintiff. The plaintiff made a significant six-figure demand. Our client paid a nominal amount to obtain a dismissal of all claims against it.

## **Professional & Community Involvement**

National Association of Subrogation Professionals (NASP), Member

International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC), Member