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Practices

Directors, Officers,
Professional, and Corporate
Liability Coverage

Bar Admissions

Supreme Judicial Court,
Commonwealth of
Massachusetts

United States District Court for
the District of Massachusetts

Education

University of Oregon School of
Law, J.D., 1991

Washington University in St.
Louis, B.A., 1986

Overview

Joe works hard for insurers on matters large and small. He calls people back and listens carefully to clients and adversaries. He helps insurers evaluate coverage issues and exposures presented by class action, government agency, and large commercial or employment disputes. Insurers, litigators, and mediators in the field all know Joe and his reputation for approaching matters sharply, efficiently, and flexibly. He and his group are nationally recognized in this area of law. Whether it is drafting an initial coverage analysis, responding to coverage arguments of insureds or their counsel, negotiating a settlement, or litigating a coverage dispute, Joe gets the job done. His practice group prides itself on working closely with insurance professionals and helping them to be more effective in their jobs.

Affiliations

- Massachusetts Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance
- Professional Liability Underwriting Society
 - Chair, New England Chapter (2007)
 - Member, New England Chapter (2001-2006)

Articles & Seminars

- Claims Handling under Massachusetts statutes 93A and 176D, 2016
- A Six Pack of Recurring Financial Lines Coverage Issues, 2014-2015
- Bankruptcy and Its Implications for D&O Insurers, 2013-2014
- URMIA Advisory Board: "Title IX", Presentation on December 9, 2014

- University of Texas Higher Education Risk Management Conference: “Claims Trends and Emerging Management Liability Exposures”, Seminar on April 8, 2014
- University Risk Management and Insurance Associations: Panel Discussion on D&O and EPL claims trends for higher education risks, December 5, 2013
- Advisen: “Quarterly D&O Claims Trends”, Webinar on October 17, 2013
- Government Investigations and D&O Insurance, 2012-2013
- Chief Executive Group: “Understanding D&O Exposure”, Webinar on November 5, 2011
- D&O Coverage for SEC Investigations and Enforcement Actions, 2011-2012
- Understanding D&O Exposures of Private Companies in Today’s Volatile World, 2010-2011

Representative Cases

- *James Previti, et al. v. National Union Fire Insurance Co.*, U.S.D.C. Central District of California, Case No. EDCV 12-00704 DDP., (coverage dispute over relatedness of bankruptcy claims for limits purposes).
- *Pat Cason-Merenda, et al. v. Detroit Medical Center, et al.*, Case No. 2:06-cv-15601, U.S.D.C. Eastern District of Michigan, (antitrust case by nurses alleging hospitals conspired to fix wages in metropolitan statistical areas).
- *UnitedHealth Group, Inc. v. Columbia Casualty Co., et al.* U.S.D.C. District of Minnesota, Case No. 05-CV-1289 PJS/SRN., (coverage dispute over existence or extent of coverage for settlement reached without participation of insurers).
- *Duke University, and Duke University Health System, Inc. v. National Union Fire Insurance Co.* U.S.D.C. Middle District of North Carolina, Case No. 1:08CV854., (coverage dispute over relatedness of claims for limits purposes).
- *Paul Jung, M.D., et al., v. Association of American Medical Colleges, et al.* U.S.D.C. District of Columbia, Case NO. Civ. A. 02-0873 PLF., (antitrust case by medical residents attacking the medical resident match program as an antitrust violation).

Awards

