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**Carl D. Buchholz, III** is a partner specializing in several areas of practice. He is an active trial and appellate attorney.

Mr. Buchholz is head of the Firm's Appellate Section. His state appellate practice includes 10 arguments before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, as well as over 40 oral arguments before the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court, the Pennsylvania Superior Court, and the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division.





His recent state court appellate cases include acting as co-counsel with partner Peter J. Neeson in obtaining a unanimous opinion from the Pennsylvania Supreme Court rejecting the "every breath" theory of causation/liability in asbestos cases in Simikian v. Allied Signal, Inc., 44 A.3d 27 (2012); Nelson v. LA Fitness (2016), in which a three-judge panel of the Superior Court affirmed summary judgment in favor of LA Fitness in a defamation lawsuit on the ground that the alleged defamatory communications by employees of LA Fitness were made more than one year prior to the filing of suit so that plaintiffs' suit was time-barred; Gatto v. Hajoca Corp. (2016), in which a three-judge panel of the Superior Court affirmed summary judgment in favor of the defendants on the ground that a diagnosis of asbestosis given to the decedent more than two years prior to the filing of suit barred the cause of action even if the diagnosis was in error; Kirwin v. Sussman Automotive (2016), in which a three-judge panel of the Superior Court affirmed summary judgment in favor of Sussman Automotive on the ground that the Pennsylvania Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law still required proof of justifiable reliance on the alleged deceptive advertising of the defendants; and Toro v. LA Fitness (2016), in which a three-judge panel of the Superior Court affirmed summary judgment in favor of LA Fitness on the ground that the Release of Liability Clause in plaintiff's Membership Agreement barred plaintiff's claim for damages resulting from a slip and fall accident in the locker room.

His federal appellate practice includes an appearance before the United States Supreme Court in 1994, where he successfully limited longshoremen's claims against ship owners, as well as numerous arguments before the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Mr. Buchholz graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1967 and Villanova Law School in 1970 where he was a member of the *Villanova Law Review* and graduated with honors. He is a Proctor in Admiralty, and a member of the bars of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the United States



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District for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the United States Court of Appeals for Third Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

From 2006–2012, Mr. Buchholz served as a member of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, including a term as Board Chair. Prior to his appointment to the Disciplinary Board, Mr. Buchholz served a six-year term as Chair and Board Member of the Pennsylvania Lawyers Fund for Client Security.

Mr. Buchholz has been rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell. He was listed in the 2012 edition of *Philadelphia's Top Rated Lawyers*. He has been named a 2019 Pennsylvania Super Lawyer by *Super Lawyers*, a service of Thomson Reuters.

### **PRACTICE AREAS:**

Appellate
Insurance Coverage
Maritime Law
Casualty and Premises Liability

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS:**

Pennsylvania, 1970

#### **COURT ADMISSIONS:**

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1970 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, 1972 U.S. Supreme Court, 1977

#### **EDUCATION:**

Villanova Law School (J.D., 1970) Order of the Coif Associate Editor, *Villanova Law Review*, 1969-1970 Muhlenberg College (B.A. 1967)

#### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations Federal Court Committee of the Philadelphia Bar Association The Lawyers Club of Philadelphia, Board of Directors Maritime Law Association of the United States

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Panelist, Traumatic Brain Injury, Ethical Issues, Pennsylvania Bar Institute CLE,
November 2013

Panelist, Appellate Advocacy Practicum, Ethical Issues on Appeal, April 2011
Panelist, Recent and Current Status of Rule B Litigation, Maritime Law Association
CLE, November 2009



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Lecturer, Trial by Jury (Civil), The Lawyers' Club of Philadelphia CLE, July 2006

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

- Author, Pennsylvania: Appellate Superior Court Affirms Venue Transfer, Rawle's Reports, Vol. 18, No. 3, March 2014
- Author, Pennsylvania: Appellate Underground Storage Tank Fund, Rawle's Reports, Vol. 18, No. 2, February 2014
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Appellate Affirmed*, *Rawle's Reports*, Volume 17, Number 11, November 2013
- Author, Pennsylvania: Asbestos Litigation Superior Court Reinstates Jury's Verdict In Favor of Defendants, **Rawle's Reports**, Vol. 17, No. 6, June 2013
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Maritime*/ *Asbestos A Ship Is Not a "Product"*, *Rawle's Reports*, Vol. 16, No. 12, December 2012
- Co-Author: New Jersey: Maritime Summary Judgment for Shipowner, Rawle's Reports, Vol. 16, No. 6, June 2012
- Co-Author: Pennsylvania: Appellate Practice Oral Argument before Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Rawle's Reports, Vol. 16, No. 5, May 2012
- Co-Author: Must Shipowners Supervise the Work of Foreign Stevedores?, Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, Vol. 22, No. 2, April, 1991