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Gary N. Stewart is a partner in the Commercial Motor Vehicle Section in the Harrisburg office of Rawle & Henderson LLP. He focuses his practice on the defense of the trucking industry, specifically commercial motor vehicles and the companies that insure them, and is privileged to represent most of the motor carriers and their drivers seen on our highways. He is admitted to practice in the State and Federal Courts of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Vermont and Rhode Island, and has been admitted *pro hac vice* in other jurisdictions throughout the Mid-Atlantic region.

Gary and his team of experienced attorneys and paralegals are routinely retained immediately following accidents involving motor carriers to perform “immediate responses,” to preserve evidence and to assist in the handling of the case from the day it occurred through trial.

He graduated *magna cum laude* from the Harrisburg campus of Widener University School of Law in 1992. He received the James C. Crumlish Jr. Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Administrative Law. Gary received his undergraduate degree from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York, where he was honored as an Intercollegiate All-American in Sailing, winning the Intercollegiate National Championship in 1979.

Before becoming a lawyer, he served in the U.S. Merchant Marine and obtained U.S. Coast Guard professional licenses as Master of Oceans, Steam or Motor Vessels up to 1600 gross tons as well as Chief Officer, unlimited tonnage, all oceans.

Gary served as the law clerk for the Honorable Rochelle Friedman, Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg, and has been selected by his peers as a Transportation/Maritime **Pennsylvania Super Lawyer** in 2007, 2009–2012 and 2016-2019. It is an honor reserved for the top 5% of all Pennsylvania lawyers.

Gary is a member of the Firm’s Executive Committee.

PRACTICE AREAS:

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE LITIGATION
MARITIME



BAR ADMISSIONS:

PENNSYLVANIA
NEW JERSEY
MASSACHUSETTS
VERMONT
RHODE ISLAND

COURT ADMISSIONS:

U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN, MIDDLE AND WESTERN DISTRICTS OF PENNSYLVANIA
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERMONT
U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND
U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT
U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

EDUCATION:

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, HARRISBURG CAMPUS
(J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1992)
RECIPIENT, JAMES C. CRUMLISH, JR., AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP
U. S. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY (B.S., 1982)
QUALIFIED: MASTER, 1600 ton vessel; all oceans
CHIEF OFFICER, UNLIMITED TONNAGE, ALL OCEANS

PERTINENT EXPERIENCE:

CLERK, HONORABLE ROCHELLE FRIEDMAN, COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA,
HARRISBURG, PA

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

Speaker, *"Beyond the Basics: Best Practices for Effective Accident Investigation and Early Case Evaluation – Litigation Holds and Responses to Preservation Letters,"* Arkansas Trucking Seminar, Rogers, AR, September 2019
Instructor, *Intensive Trial Advocacy Program*, Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg, PA, May 2019
Presenter, *The Intersection of Criminal Law & Trucking: Send Lawyers, Guns & Money*, Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA) Annual Seminar, October 2016
Co-Author, *"He Said/She Said": How to Prove Your Client Case with EDR; Check the Event Data Recorder – You Might Be Surprised by What You Find*, **TIDA Fall 2016 Newsletter**, October 2016
Co-Author, *"He Said/She Said": How to Prove Your Client's Case with an Event Data Recorder*, **Transportation Law Update**, Vol. 17, No. 8, October 2016
Co-Author, *Don't Be "Careless" with Your CMV Driver's Careless-Driving Citation*, **Transportation Law Update**, Vol. 17, No. 4, May 2016



- Co-Author, *Cell Phone Laws and Trends In Various Jurisdictions, PARTS I & II, Transportation Law Update*, Vol. 17, Nos. 2 and 3
- Co-Author, *Cell Phone Laws and Trends In Various Jurisdictions, TIDA Fall 2015 Newsletter*
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Can I Get My Case Transferred from Philadelphia County?*, *Transportation Law Update*, Vol. 16, No. 2, February 2015
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Punitive Damages – No Direct Negligence Claim Against Employer*, *Transportation Law Update*, Vol. 15, No. 7, November 2014
- Author, *New York: Accident in New York State Requires Filing of MV-104 Form*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 15, Number 2, April 2014
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Defense Verdict - Smoke and Mirrors*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 15, Number 1, March 2014
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Punitive Damages and the Handheld GPS*, *TIDA Fall 2013 Newsletter*
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Punitive Damages and the Handheld GPS*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 14, Number 7, October 2013
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania/New Jersey/Delaware: Dual Liability for Shippers and Motor Carriers*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 14, Number 4, July 2013
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania: Towing and Towing Storage Facility Standards Act, Part II*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 14, Number 1, February 2013
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania: Towing and Towing Storage Facility Standards Act, TIDA Winter 2012 Newsletter*, December 2012
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania: Towing and Towing Storage Facility Standards Act, Transportation Law Update*, Volume 13, Number 9, September 2012
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania: Punitive Damages – “Don’t Give Up the Ship”*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 13, Number 8, August 2012
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania/Connecticut: Log Violations Before Restart, Trucking Industry Defense Association Spring 2012 Newsletter*
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania/Connecticut: Log Violations Before Restart, New Jersey Motor Truck Association February 2012 Bulletin*
- Co-Author, *Pennsylvania/Connecticut: Log Violations Before Restart, Transportation Law Update*, Volume 13, Number 1, January 2012
- Author, *1% Rule Dead!*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 12, No. 6, June 2011
- Co-Author, *Hit From Behind*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 12, No. 5, May 2011
- Co-Author, *Is Your Truck Driver a “Professional Driver?”*, *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 12, No. 2, February 2011
- Author, *Vermont Product Liability*, *Rawle’s Reports*, Volume 13, Issue No. 6, June 2009
- Author, *Rhode Island – “He Said, She Said”.....* *Transportation Law Update*, Volume 10, No. 5, May 2009
- Co-Author, *Where Do You Want To Depose Your Driver?*, *Trucking Law Update*, Vol. 8, No. 6, June 2007
- Contributor/Author, American Bar Association-TIPS Reference Handbook on *Punitive Damages*, September 2006
- Presenter, *Immediate Response Handling for the Catastrophic Accident*, Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association, Harrisburg, PA, April 2006
- Author, *Good News: Jerk’n Jolt Doctrine Reaffirmed*, *Bus and Motorcoach News*, October 2005
- Author, *Pennsylvania: Shake It Up!*, *Trucking Law Update*, Vol. 6, No. 8, August 2005



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Author, *Harrisburg: Another Bad Venue?*, *Trucking Law Update*, Vol. 5, No. 9., September 2004
Presenter, *Know Your Salvage Rights*, Progressive Insurance Co., Warwick, RI
Presenter, *Low Velocity Impact Investigations*, Infinity Ins. Group, Middletown, CT, November 1999

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA)
Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association (PMTA)
Transportation Lawyers Association (TLA)
American Bar Association (ABA)
Harrisburg Claims Association