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## NEW PARTNER

## WORKERS' COMPENSATION



**Zachary M. Rubinich**

**Zachary M. Rubinich** has joined Rawle & Henderson LLP as a partner in the Philadelphia office. He focuses his practice on the defense of insurance carriers, self-insured entities and third-party administrators against workers' compensation claims in Pennsylvania. Based on his extensive experience, the Pennsylvania Bar Association Workers' Compensation Law Section has certified him as Specialist in the practice of workers' compensation law.

Zach has handled all aspects of litigation before workers' compensation judges, the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board, the Commonwealth Court and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. He routinely counsels employers, insurance carriers and third party administrators on claims management, workplace safety, return-to-work programs, employment practices and risk management.

He was recently selected as a member of the American Bar Association's Tort Trial and Insurance Practice (TIPS) Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Law Committee for 2014-2015. Zach is rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell. He has been selected as a Pennsylvania Rising Star by Super Lawyers from 2010 to 2014.

Zach earned his J.D. from Widener University School of Law and his B.A. in political science and government from Lycoming College. He is a member of the Alumni Board of Directors of Widener University School of Law.

"I am very excited to move forward with my legal career at Rawle & Henderson, the nation's oldest law office, by providing competent legal representation to clients with the same personal attention and high level of professionalism in workers' compensation matters in Pennsylvania and throughout the Mid-Atlantic region," Zach said.

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## PBA WORKERS' COMP. LAW SECTION



**Deborah A. Beck**

**Deborah A. Beck** was a presenter at the **30th Annual Fall Meeting of the Workers' Compensation Law Section of the Pennsylvania Bar Association** in Hershey, Pennsylvania in September 2014. She made a presentation on the topic of *"Legal Issues in Upper Extremity Cases"* and explored cumulative trauma injuries involving the upper extremities.

Deborah is Of Counsel in the firm's Philadelphia office. She is certified as a Specialist in the practice of workers' compensation law by the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Section on Workers' Compensation Law as authorized by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Deborah was the 2004 Defense Co-chair for the Philadelphia Bar Association's Workers' Compensation Section. She earned a B.A. in Political Science from Gannon University in 1990 and a J.D., *cum laude*, from Duquesne University in 1996. She was a research editor for the *Duquesne Law Review* from 1995 to 1996. Deborah has been a litigator since 1996, representing employers and carriers in all aspect of workers' compensation from initial proceedings before the Bureau to appellate representation before the Commonwealth and Supreme Court. Deborah has been a member of the Pennsylvania Bar since 1996 and the New Jersey Bar since 1997.

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## KOMEN RACE FOR CURE TEAM HONORED



Rawle & Henderson's 2014 Komen Race for the Cure race team **Henderson for Higgins Struts for the Sabos** was honored in July at the Komen Appreciation Celebration at SugarHouse Casino in Philadelphia. The race team won the First Annual Law Firms for the Fight Award and was the biggest and highest-fundraising law firm team in 2014.

**Patrice O'Brien**, an associate in our Philadelphia office who was also the race team's organizer (on the right in photo), accepted the award. The firm's race team had 68 participants and raised \$8,592. In 2013 the firm raised over \$6,000. Over the last seven years, Rawle &

Henderson's team has raised over \$51,000. Jeannine Donahue, 2014 Race for the Cure Co-chair and Young Survivors and The Big Pink Footprint peer leader (on the left) presented the award to O'Brien.

The **Henderson for Higgins Struts for the Sabos** team honored for the seventh year in a row the firm's former partner, **Ann-Michele Higgins**, who lost her struggle with breast cancer in September 2007. This year the firm lost another member of its family to breast cancer. **Nancy J. Sabo**, wife of partner **Michael G. Sabo, Esq.**, lost her courageous eight-and-a-half-year fight against breast cancer on January 24, 2014 at the age of 53. Nancy was an active woman who loved sports, music and dancing. She loved the Mummies and the New Year's Day Parade.