

WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION

The **Workers' Compensation Section** at RAWLE & HENDERSON LLP continues to maintain a reputation for excellence while remaining at the forefront of modern workers' compensation litigation. Our attorneys provide representation to insured and self-insured businesses in all matters throughout the states of **Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, and West Virginia**. Our clients are among the largest insurers in the world, as well as Fortune 500 companies, who require the highest level of representation in workers' compensation matters. Our team is composed of experienced workers' compensation attorneys practicing in **Philadelphia, PA, Harrisburg, PA, Pittsburgh, PA, Marlton, NJ, Wilmington, DE, New York City, NY, Mineola, NY, and Wheeling, WV**.

Our group is organized to maximize efficiency and to reduce costs. New cases are selectively assigned to an experienced attorney who regularly handles matters in a specific jurisdiction. We take pride in fulfilling our role as counselors, providing advice with an aim toward preventing problematic issues from arising and seeking to aid in managing claims in the most cost-effective manner possible. We are acutely aware of the rising costs of workers' compensation, and thus are committed to aggressive and timely case handling. When litigation is undertaken, we are resolute in our purpose, thorough in our preparation and unyielding in our advocacy.

Claudio J. DiPaolo—Chair



Claudio J. DiPaolo, Chair of Rawle & Henderson's Workers' Compensation Section since 2009, has practiced insurance defense litigation for over 20 years, with a concentration in workers' compensation matters. He began his career with an appointment to the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry as an opinion writer, where he drafted hundreds of administrative law decisions involving adjudicated workers' compensation matters. Prior to joining Rawle & Henderson in 2008, Claudio practiced at the nation's largest employment law firm. Mr. DiPaolo has counseled clients regarding compliance with federal, state, and local laws, and preventing liability for workplace injuries. He has made presentations to clients throughout the country on various topics such as the interplay between workers' compensation and ADA, FMLA, Title VII, and SSDI/SSI. His clients include large multinational companies, Fortune 500 corporations, global insurers, and the nation's largest restaurant chain, pet store retailer, airline and internet retailer. Mr. DiPaolo was selected as a **Pennsylvania Super Lawyer** in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 by *Super Lawyers*. Only the top 5% of the lawyers in Pennsylvania are chosen annually for this honor.

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Zach Rubinich has been certified by the Pennsylvania Bar Association Workers' Compensation Law Section as a Specialist in the practice of workers' compensation law. He has over 20 years of experience handling workers' compensation matters. Zach is rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell and has been selected as a **Pennsylvania Super Lawyer**. He is the Past Chair of the ABA Tort Trial and Insurance Practice (TIPS) Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Law Committee from 2018-2019. *(Additional Offices: Harrisburg, PA, Pittsburgh, PA)*



Colin McIntyre focuses his practice on workers' compensation law. He earned his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 2009 and a B.S. in Geological Sciences in 2006 from the University of Michigan. He is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Michigan, and also the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. *(Additional Office: Marlton, NJ)*



J. Brendan O'Brien concentrates his practice on the defense of employers and insurers in workers' compensation matters. Brendan has over 22 years of experience in litigation before workers' compensation judges, the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board, and the Pennsylvania Appellate Courts. He has been selected as a **Pennsylvania Super Lawyer** from 2012 through 2019.



Todd K. Foster has represented insurance carriers and self-insured organizations in workers' compensation matters for over 16 years. He earned his J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law in 2002 and his B.A. in Economics, *cum laude*, from Allegheny College in 1999. Todd is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania. *(Additional Office: Harrisburg, PA)*

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Alan Leff has over 10 years of experience handling workers' compensation litigation. He earned his J.D. from Rutgers University School of Law in Camden, New Jersey in 2008 and his B.A. in History & Political Science from the University of Michigan - Ann Arbor in 2005. He is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. *(Additional Office: Marlton, NJ)*

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



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Richard B. Polner concentrates his practice on workers' compensation. He received his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1998 and his B.A. from Binghamton University in 1991. He is admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.



Mary Bergmann represents employers and insurance companies in all aspects of workers' compensation litigation. She earned her J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1985 and her B.A. from Fordham University in 1981. She is admitted to practice in New York, as well as the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. *(Additional Offices: Mineola, NY; New Haven, CT)*

Marlton, New Jersey



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Nicolas B. Pedone concentrates his practice on workers' compensation matters. He earned his J.D. from Rutgers University School of Law-Camden in 2010 and a B.A. in History and Political Science, *magna cum laude*, from Albright College in 2005. He is admitted to practice in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and also the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. *(Additional Office: Philadelphia, PA)*



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Edward J. Chiodo focuses his practice on workers' compensation matters. He earned his J.D. from Duquesne University School of Law in 1988 and his B.A. from Duquesne University in 1985. He is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and also the U.S. District Courts for the Western and Eastern Districts of Pennsylvania and the Southern District of West Virginia. *(Additional Office: Pittsburgh, PA)*

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