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## PRACTICES

Product Liability

Civil Litigation and Trial

## INDUSTRIES

Life Sciences

## Kathleen J. Martin

### PARTNER

### EXPERIENCE

Kathleen J. Martin is an accomplished trial lawyer with more than 19 years of experience handling complex, high-exposure litigation involving catastrophic injuries and intricate theories of negligence. She defends pharmaceutical and medical device companies in product liability actions, represents medical providers in medical-malpractice suits alleging severe injuries and wrongful death, and defends appliance manufacturers in product liability cases involving injuries resulting from fires. Kathleen has extensive experience representing clients in the retail and hospitality industries, including department stores and hotels, in complex negligence cases. Her experience also includes matters involving municipal liability, labor law, and insurance law. She has successfully briefed and argued several appeals involving complex issues of negligence and damages before the Appellate Division, Fourth Department.

Kathleen brings to each defense case an exceptionally high degree of strategic insight and creativity that stems in part from her previous experience representing plaintiffs in personal injury cases. She is particularly well-versed in the post-judgment present value application of Articles 50-A and 50-B of the New York CPLR, which can potentially mean the difference of millions of dollars in a court's awarding of future damages. With this knowledge, Kathleen has the uncommon ability to successfully navigate this detailed and highly nuanced statutory and case law to the advantage of Goldberg Segalla clients.

### HONORS & AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Personal Injury Litigation — Defendants, 2020-25
  - Product Liability Litigation — Defendants, 2023-25
- Upstate New York *Super Lawyers*, 2017–24; Rising Stars 2013–14
- Buffalo Moot Court Board Treasurer
- Order of Barristers, 1999
- *Who's Who* of American Law Students, 19th Edition, 1999
- Quarter-Finalist, Desmond Moot Court Competition

### BACKGROUND

#### ADMISSIONS

- New York
- U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of New York

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#### EDUCATION

- University at Buffalo School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1999
  - University at Buffalo, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1996
    - The Phi Beta Kappa Society
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Kathleen J. Martin

**PARTNER**

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Bar Association of Erie County
- University at Buffalo Law Alumni GOLD Group Board of Directors, 2000-09
  - Secretary
  - Education Committee Chair
  - Recruitment Committee Chair