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PRACTICES

Workers' Compensation
Employment and Labor

Samantha K. Levasseur

PARTNER

EXPERIENCE

Samantha K. Levasseur focuses her practice on workers' compensation and employment law defense. She has represented a diverse range of employers and insurers before the State of Connecticut Workers' Compensation Commission, including self-insured employers, employers with large retentions and deductibles, insurance carriers, and third-party administrators.

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Workers' Compensation

Samantha's work has included defending complex cases related to occupational exposure, permanent total disability, widow/dependent benefits, death and claims of employment discrimination brought before the Workers' Compensation Commission pursuant to C.G.S. 31-290a. She also has argued on appeal from a formal hearing decision before the Connecticut Compensation Review Board.

Employment and Labor

As part of her employment-law practice, in addition to the work she has done with the Workers' Compensation Commission under C.G.S. 31-290a, Samantha has appeared before the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and Connecticut Superior Court to defend employers both private and municipal against allegations of discrimination and wrongful termination. She has also appeared in Connecticut Superior Court to represent clients in various personal-injury matters.

HONORS & AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*
 - Workers' Compensation – Employers, 2024-25
- Connecticut *Super Lawyers*, Rising Stars, 2017–19 (Workers' Compensation)

BACKGROUND

ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- Connecticut, 2010
- U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut

EDUCATION

- University of Connecticut School of Law, J.D., 2009
 - Mock-Trial Society
 - VIS International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court Team: Co-President

Samantha K.
Levasseur

PARTNER

- *Connecticut Insurance Law Journal*: Notes-and-Comments Editor
 - University of Exeter School of Law, J.D. Study Abroad Program
 - Assumption College, B.A., 2006
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Connecticut Bar Association
- Risk Management Society, Connecticut Valley Chapter

PUBLICATIONS & EVENTS

PUBLICATIONS

- “Regional Shortcomings and Global Solutions: Kidnap and Ransom Insurance in Latin America,” *Connecticut Insurance Law Journal*, Spring 2008
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WEBINARS

- “Recent Amendments to Connecticut’s Workers’ Compensation Act: A Response to *Gardner v. State*,” (Co-Presenter), GS Webinar Series, June 25, 2025
 - “An Employer’s Guide to Work-Related Injuries, Leave, and Accommodations,” (Co-Presenter), GS Webinar Series, October 28, 2021
 - “Coming and Going in Connecticut: The Lunch Break Defense,” Worker’s Compensation Webinar, May 16, 2018
 - “Settlement Valuation Trends and Ways to Avoid a Commissioner Rejection in Connecticut,” Workers’ Compensation Webinar, July 12, 2017
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PODCASTS

- Contributor, “Hot Issues in Workers’ Comp: The Principal Employer Doctrine and Franchisors,” *Timely Notice*, August 7, 2018