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Thaddeus J. Hubert IV

PARTNER

EXPERIENCE

Thaddeus J. Hubert IV is an experienced trial attorney who concentrates his practice defending general liability and product liability matters, including complex claims involving spinal, burn, and traumatic brain injuries, as well as multimillion-dollar wrongful death actions. He has defended hundreds of claims arising from automobile and trucking accidents and construction defects as well as malpractice claims targeting nurses, long-term care facilities, lawyers, and design professionals. In addition, he has extensive experience handling matters related to New Jersey's Economic Loss Doctrine, including applying it to dismiss multimillion-dollar claims against clients.

Ted is certified as a civil trial attorney by the New Jersey Supreme Court, which recognizes sufficient levels of experience, education, knowledge, and skill in civil trial practice. The certification—bestowed on only three percent of attorneys practicing in the state—draws on extensive evaluations from adversaries, fellow civil trial lawyers, and judges. Clients rely on Ted for his proven trial abilities—but he often achieves favorable resolutions for matters long before trial, engaging in effective and creative motion practice and high-stakes settlement negotiations. A former Appellate Division clerk, Ted also has an impressive record of success with respect to dispositive motions and appellate practice.

As an undergraduate at Connecticut College, Ted was captain of the Men's Track & Field Team. He graduated as the school record holder in the 55-meter dash and was a member of the record-holding 4×100 meter relay team.

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Automobile Liability and Personal Injury

- Obtained dismissal at trial in a case involving claims for traumatic brain and spinal injuries after the plaintiff's medical expert admitted on cross-examination that he could not opine within a reasonable degree of medical probability that the injuries were caused by the accident
- Represented client in a jury trial that found the defendant was not negligent in a motor vehicle accident in which an eyewitness to the accident blamed the defendant and the plaintiff underwent a lumbar fusion surgery
- Obtained a defense verdict in a premises liability trial in which the plaintiff alleged traumatic brain, spinal, and dental injuries
- Obtained a defense verdict after establishing that the plaintiff's treating neurosurgeon changed his opinion claiming the plaintiff needed surgery to enhance damages at trial
- Successfully barred a plaintiff's economic expert in a wrongful death action resulting in favorable settlement
- Appellate Division affirmed dismissal of a plaintiff's personal injury claim for bilateral wrist fractures due to the plaintiff failing to produce evidence of the defendant's negligence for motor vehicle intersection collision
- Appellate Division reversed trial court's decision to allow a plaintiff's claim for underinsured motorists benefits holding the claim was time-barred by the statute of limitations
- Appellate Division affirmed a trial verdict finding that the plaintiff did not establish the defendant was negligent by a preponderance of the evidence

PRACTICES

Civil Litigation and Trial

Product Liability

Construction Litigation and Counsel

INDUSTRIES

Long-Term Care

Health Care

Construction

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Economic Loss Doctrine

- Trial court dismissed negligence claims by contractor against engineer for delay damages pursuant to the Economic Loss Doctrine notwithstanding the fact that the parties were not in contractual privity
 - Appellate Division affirmed dismissal of negligence and intentional tort claims against a design professional for economic loss pursuant to the Economic Loss Doctrine
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Professional Liability

- Appellate Division affirmed dismissal of a claim by a contractor for damages by applying the patent ambiguity doctrine

BACKGROUND

ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
 - U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
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EDUCATION

- Loyola University Chicago School of Law, J.D., 2010
 - Connecticut College, B.A., History and Government, *cum laude*, 2006
 - Men's Track & Field Team: Captain
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
 - American Board of Trial Advocates
 - New Jersey State Bar Association
 - Mercer County Bar Association
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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Princeton Rotary Club

PUBLICATIONS & EVENTS

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- "How Far Is Too Far: Successfully Navigating Hearsay of Non-Testifying Experts Since *James v. Ruiz*," New Jersey Defense Association, Spring 2019
 - "How to Bar a Federal Health Insurance Lien: The Difference Between the Federal Employees Health Benefits Act and the Employee Retirement Income and Security Act," New Jersey Defense Association, Fall 2015
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PRESENTATIONS

- “Combatting Plaintiff’s Trial Tactics,” Panelist, New Jersey Defense Association (NJDA) Annual Convention, June 23, 2023
- “A Generational Overview of the Unexpected Evolution of the Privity Doctrine in New Jersey Construction Cases,” New Jersey State Bar Association, Construction Law Section, New Brunswick, NJ, 2013