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PRACTICE AREAS

- Bad Faith and Extra-Contractual Liability
- General Liability Coverage and Defense
- Insurance
- Pandemic Claims and Litigation
- Property Insurance
- Subrogation

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- State Courts: Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court: District of Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia
- U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals: Third Circuit, Fourth Circuit, District of Columbia Circuit

George advises and represents national and international insurers regarding a wide variety of property insurance coverage matters. His experience includes:

- The issues that have confronted the industry during the last 30 years, including natural disasters, terrorism, fraud, civil unrest and, most recently, COVID-19;
- Many different businesses and industries, including manufacturers, retailers, professional sports teams and airports;
- Trials and appeals in federal and state courts, as well as administrative hearings arising from regulatory complaints;
- Over a thousand examinations under oath for insurance fraud investigations;
- National and international discovery, including depositions in 30 states, Israel, England and Canada;
- Co-authoring commercial property coverage forms for a carrier specializing in chemical risks.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Creative Consolidation, LLC v. Erie Ins. Exch., -- A.2d -- , 2024 WL 1201751 (D.C. Mar. 21, 2024)

Rose's 1, LLC v. Erie Ins. Exch., 290 A.3d 52, 2023 WL 2318152 (D.C. Mar. 2, 2023)

Erie Insurance Exchange v. EPC MD 15, LLC, 822 S.E.2d 351 (Va. 2019)

National Surety Co. v. K&C Framing, Inc., 2018 Md. App. LEXIS 358 (2018) (representing Appellee, WCS Construction, LLC)

Gehani v. American Zurich Ins. Co., 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 203828 (U.S. District Court, District of Maryland 2017)

MDB Communications, Inc. v. Hartford Casualty Ins. Co., 531 F. Supp. 2d 75 (U.S. District Court, District of Columbia 2008)

Cecilia Schwaber Trust Two v. Hartford Accident & Indem. Co., 437 F. Supp.2d 485 (U.S. District Court, District of Maryland 2006)

EDUCATION

- Washington and Lee University School of Law, J.D., 1990; Honors: Burks Scholar
- Cedarville College, B.A., 1987, with High Honor

Sylvan Paper Corp. v. Verlan Fire Ins. Co., 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 29325 (U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey 2005)

ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS

"The Key Bridge Tragedy: What Loss of Income Coverages Will Apply?", April 1, 2024, co-author

"The Lawyer Personalities That Make Up Joint Interest Groups," *Law360*, October 5, 2022, author

"Is an Appraisal an Arbitration? Yes and No. Maybe. Sort of." *Claims Journal*, March 14, 2022, co-author

"Spa Virus Coverage Ruling Misses The Mark," *Insurance Law360*, January 11, 2021, author

"Taking Your Claims Writing to the Next Level," Property and Liability Resource Bureau (PLRB) Training Module, October 2018, presenter

"Business Writing for the Insurance Professional," PLRB Claims Conference, San Antonio, TX, 2016, co-presenter

"Tips to Improve Written Communication," Eastern and Western PLRB Regional Adjusters Conferences, 2015, co-presenter

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association, Property Insurance Committee, TIPS, Litigation

Maryland State Bar Association

District of Columbia Bar Association

Virginia Bar Association

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Board Member, Hunt Valley Church, 2002-2008, 2010-2016, 2017-2023

Classic car restoration (current projects: 1940 Buick Super, 1951 Buick Roadmaster)

NOTEWORTHY

Rated AV Preeminent (5.0 out of 5.0) by Martindale Hubbell

Maryland Super Lawyers, Insurance Coverage, 2019-20

Selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2022-2025.

District of Columbia Super Lawyers, Insurance Coverage, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024

PAST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Partner, Niles, Barton & Wilmer, LLP, 1997-2020