

Shannon O'Malley Quoted in Insurance Law360: Courts Side With Insurers in Most COVID-19 Business Interruption Coverage Disputes

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Shannon O'Malley, a partner in the Dallas office of Zelle, was quoted in an *Insurance Law360* titled "1 Year In, Policyholders See Hope In Virus Coverage Battles."

O'Malley, who represents insurers, told *Law360* that policyholders have overstated the significance of rulings that have denied insurance companies' motions to dismiss and opened up discovery.

"Decisions granting motions to dismiss are wins for the insurers, but decisions denying motions to dismiss are not truly wins for the policyholders; they are merely allowing the policyholders to proceed with their cases," she said.

O'Malley and other attorneys who represent insurance companies expressed skepticism that policyholders that have defeated dismissal motions will be able to survive past the summary judgment stage, much less win at trial.

[Click here to read "1 Year In, Policyholders See Hope In Virus Coverage Battles."](#) (subscription required).