

PRACTICE CONTACTS

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There are few firms with Zelle's breadth and depth of experience in insurance law. Our attorneys have been on the cutting-edge of insurance law and litigation for decades, including first- and third-party property and liability coverage, reinsurance, and subrogation, and extending across a wide range of industries and natural and man-made catastrophes.

Solidifying the Firm's long-standing reputation as a key ally of the insurance industry, Zelle attorneys have represented major clients at the forefront of monumental cases arising from the destruction of the World Trade Center on 9/11, Hurricanes Katrina and Harvey, and significant matters involving environmental and asbestos coverage litigation.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Retained as national coordinating counsel by international commercial property insurers to analyze claims and defend litigation worldwide concerning losses attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Obtained dismissal of lawsuit against commercial property insurer arising from alleged ammonia leaks at food processing facility, and successfully defended appeal of dismissal to United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Obtained "no pay" award on behalf of commercial property insurer following ten-day insurance coverage arbitration in \$75 million claim by Fortune 100 company arising out of Hurricane Katrina.

Successfully resolved \$120 million insurance coverage dispute arising from tornado damage to high-rise office tower.

Represented commercial property insurer in \$4.5 million property and boiler and machinery insurance coverage dispute arising from boiler failure at syngas production facility.

Represented property insurer in \$400 million property insurance coverage dispute arising from damage to production facilities caused by Hurricane Katrina.

Successfully defended liability insurer in \$160 million commercial general liability insurance coverage dispute arising from asbestos exposures.

Insurance

Obtained summary judgment in \$11 million commercial general liability coverage dispute arising from construction defects at apartment complex.

Obtained mediated settlement of liability claim against project engineer arising from alleged construction defects at major international airport.

Represented commercial property insurer in \$178 million reinsurance coverage matter arising from sabotage of supercomputer.