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In my experience, everyone enters litigation with slightly different goals. My litigation philosophy is simple: identify my client’s goal and then find – or create – paths to achieving it. It sounds simple, but each case brings its own challenges, and each client brings a different set of concerns and sensitivities. I focus on providing creative, aggressive strategies to position clients to achieve their litigation ends.

Core to my philosophy of client-oriented services is a well-rounded approach to litigation. I maintain a broad practice to avoid the tunnel-vision that can flow from becoming too immersed in a particular area of practice. Instead of over-specialization, I focus on innovative approaches to the process of litigating, and understanding the variation among litigation strategies in different fields, while dedicating myself to finding effective legal approaches in whichever area of law that underpins the litigation.

While maintaining breadth in my practice, commercial litigation remains a central area of it: representing businesses in disputes centered on contract breaches, tort claims, class action defense and internal disputes in the context of closely-held corporations. On the other end of the spectrum, I enjoy helping counsel individuals faced with potential disputes or litigation arising out of estate, trust, and other fiduciary-related issues.

In all areas of my practice I strive for a single hallmark: thoughtful, dedicated, invested, and practical representation with dogged pursuit of my client’s goals. Through the years, I am proud that many of my peers have had the opportunity to describe my professionalism, and have done so in ways that reinforce my central focus, describing me as “exceptionally bright,” and my work as “thoughtful and diligent,” concluding that I am exactly “the type of attorney every client should have.” I work hard to be recognized as “analytical and a tremendous communicator” whose “legal acumen is top-notch” with a “clarity of thought” that enables “excellent, clear writing” on behalf of clients.

PRINCIPLE AREAS OF PRACTICE

- > General Commercial Litigation
- > Trust and Estate Litigation
- > Appellate Practice



- > Class Action Defense
- > Closely-held Business Disputes

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- > Representation of closely-held business owners in disputes and litigation relating to ownership and control
- > Representation of publicly-traded corporation in class action and commercial litigation
- > Representation of businesses in commercial contract litigation
- > Representation as New Jersey counsel in connection with multi-billion dollar estate litigation
- > Representation of companies pursuing, and defending against, injunctive relief
- > Representation of substantial law firms and their lawyers with respect to issues of client representation, malpractice, and lawyer mobility
- > Second-chair in multi-month bench trial achieving rare rejection of the power of a municipality to condemn property, and successfully obtained attorney fee award
- > Obtained reversal of largest attorney sanctions in New Jersey history
- > Obtained pre-discovery dismissal of Lanham Act claims
- > Obtained favorable settlement of complicated dispute over beneficiary dissolution of trust
- > Obtained favorable decision leading to settlement in closely-held shareholder dispute
- > Obtained summary judgment dissolving a multi-million dollar limited liability company
- > Obtained summary judgment on behalf of a major, multi-national beverage company in nationwide class action (class certification was also denied)
- > Obtained summary judgment of substantial malpractice claim against prominent New Jersey attorney and law firm
- > Substituted as counsel weeks before trial and obtained judgment in client's favor on all claims on pre-trial motion practice
- > Regularly obtain judicial relief in connection with trust creation and modification

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Superior Court of New Jersey (Bergen County, Law Division), Law Clerk, Hon. Estela M. De La Cruz

United States District Court (S.D.N.Y.), Intern, Hon. Denny Chin

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

The Brennan-Vanderbilt American Inn of Court

Mediator, Essex County Chancery Division Early Settlement Program

New Jersey State Bar Association, Equity Jurisprudence Committee

Lecturer, NJICLE, Frivolous Litigation Sanctions in New Jersey State Court

Lecturer, NJICLE, Estate Planning 101: Client Intake to Final Plan (Litigating Will Contests)

Lecturer, NYCBA, New Jersey Civil and Trial Practice



OTHER DISTINCTIONS

New Jersey Super Lawyers - Rising Star, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
Martindale Peer Review Rating -- AV Preeminent

PUBLISHED/UNPUBLISHED OPINIONS

Cargill Global Trading Co. v. Applied Dev. Co., 706 F. Supp. 2d 563 (D.N.J. 2010)
Chicago Faucet Shoppe, Inc. v. Nestle Waters N. Am. Inc., 24 F. Supp. 3d 750 (N.D. Ill. 2014)
In re Failure to Award to Lowest Responsible Bidder RFP 09-X-20513 Contr T0002 for Provision of Bottled Water Servs., No. A-2747-08T2, 2010 WL 2795369 (App. Div. July 2, 2010)
Township of Readington v. Solberg Aviation Co., No. HNT-L-468-06, 2015 WL 11751623 (Law Div. May 4, 2015)
In re Cohen, No. A-0864-10T1, 2013 WL 5476569 (App. Div. Oct. 3, 2013)
Pinkus v. Sirius XM Radio Inc., 255 F. Supp. 3d 747 (N.D. Ill. 2017)

PRACTICE AREAS

- > Litigation and Dispute Resolution

EDUCATION

- > Rutgers University (B.A. 2002)
- > Fordham University School of Law (J.D. 2007)
 - > Urban Law Journal
 - > Moot Court Board
 - > Brendan Moore Trial Advocates
 - > Dean's List

ADMISSIONS

BAR ADMISSIONS

- > New Jersey 2007

COURT ADMISSIONS

- > U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- > U.S. Court of Appeals - Third Circuit

RELATED NEWS & PUBLICATIONS

- > Decanting in New Jersey & Beyond
- > Matt Aslanian presents Litigating a Will Contest
- > Matt Aslanian to present New Jersey Civil and Trial Practice for NYC Bar Association



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MATTHEW T. ASLANIAN, Shareholder

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- > OLSS Obtains Dismissal With Prejudice Of Multistate Class Action Lawsuit
- > Third Circuit Affirms No Cause of Action in \$50 Million Class Action Against OLSS Client
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- > Six OLSS Attorneys Named to 2014 New Jersey Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- > Five OLSS Attorneys Named to 2013 New Jersey Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- > OLSS Obtains Dismissal of Class Action Against Nestlé Waters North America Inc.
- > Six OLSS Attorneys Named to 2012 New Jersey Super Lawyers and Rising Stars