

## Chris Konzelmann

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Chris has been handling subrogation matters for over 30 years. He is heavily involved in the industry and has a particular focus on fire-related matters.

### OVERVIEW

Chris Konzelmann is Chairman of the Subrogation Department at White and Williams LLP and a recognized leader in fire loss litigation. Since beginning his legal career, Chris has focused on investigating and litigating complex property subrogation claims, with a particular emphasis on fire-related losses. His deep understanding of both the legal and technical aspects of fire investigation makes him a trusted advisor to insurers across the country.

As Chairman, Chris oversees a team of attorneys handling subrogation matters nationwide. He leads strategic initiatives, mentors attorneys within the department, and works closely with clients to develop recovery solutions tailored to their business needs.

Chris is a long-standing member of the National Association of Subrogation Professionals (NASP) and a frequent presenter at its Annual and Spring Conferences. He also regularly delivers webinars and training sessions for subrogation clients, helping them stay informed on legal developments and best practices in recovery strategy.

He is an active member of the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI), where he serves as Co-Chair of the Insurance Industry Outreach Committee. Chris is an IAAI Certified Instructor and a frequent speaker at conferences on fire investigation and subrogation. He also teaches "Fire Investigator Case Preparation and Testimony" at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

In addition to his legal practice, Chris brings nearly two decades of operational fire service experience. He has served for 19 years with the Moorestown Fire Department in Burlington County, New Jersey, where he holds the rank of Captain. He is a state-certified Fire Officer and Fire Instructor and is certified as an interior structural firefighter.

### PRACTICES

Subrogation

### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

District of Columbia

New Jersey

New York

### EDUCATION

Widener University School of Law, JD, 1990

LaSalle University, BA, 1987

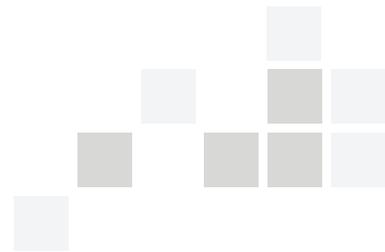
### MEMBERSHIPS

International Association of Arson Investigators

Loss Executives Association

National Association of Subrogation Professionals

National Fire Protection Association



Chris's unique combination of courtroom experience, instructional leadership, and hands-on firefighting service allows him to bridge the gap between field investigation and legal advocacy. His work continues to shape how fire investigators and attorneys collaborate to build strong, defensible cases in the pursuit of subrogation recovery.

## RECOGNITION AND INVOLVEMENT

In 2006, while practicing law full-time, Chris attended the Mercer County Fire Academy in Lawrenceville, New Jersey and became a state certified interior structural firefighter. He continued his fire service education and became a certified fire officer and fire instructor. Chris is currently a Captain in the Moorestown Fire Department in Burlington County, New Jersey and responds to approximately 200 calls for service each year.

Since 2012, Chris has been selected in a survey of his peers as a Pennsylvania "Super Lawyer" by *Super Lawyers*.

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Over the course of his career, Chris Konzelmann has investigated and litigated thousands of property loss claims, recovering millions of dollars for insurer clients. His work spans a wide range of complex subrogation matters, including large commercial fire losses, residential fire incidents, and significant water damage claims.

Chris has successfully pursued claims involving contractor negligence, defective products, fire spread liability, landlord-tenant disputes, and adjoining property owner conflicts. His ability to coordinate early scene investigations, manage expert teams, and navigate multi-party litigation has consistently led to favorable outcomes for clients. Whether handling high-stakes litigation or advising on pre-suit strategy, Chris brings a results-driven approach grounded in decades of experience and technical insight.

## IN THE NEWS

Chris Konzelmann Appointed to NASP Board of Directors  
11.3.25

White and Williams Appoints New Subrogation Department Leadership  
1.8.25

Subrogation Lawyers Get Real Life Fire Training  
10.27.21

## EVENTS

Chris Konzelmann and Gus Sara present "Opinion to Trial" at IAAI International Training Conference  
International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) International Training Conference, 4.30.26

Feel the Need for Speed! Product Liability Speed Date  
2025 NASP Annual Conference  
Chula Vista (San Diego), CA, 10.28.25

Tools and Techniques to Handle the Challenges of Market Share and Insured Involvement in Subrogation  
2025 NASP Annual Conference  
Chula Vista (San Diego), CA, 10.28.25

Subrogation – Your Gateway to Personal Success – An Emerging Professional’s Workshop (Part One)  
2025 NASP Annual Conference  
Chula Vista (San Diego), CA, 10.27.25

The Effective Expert Witness  
AM Best  
8.19.25

Proving That Your Subrogation Target Breached an Accepted Standard of Care  
2025 NASP Spring Conference, 4.3.25

Coverage College 2024  
Philadelphia, PA, 10.30.24

Why Lithium-Ion Batteries Fail and Who You Can Sue  
2024 NASP Annual Conference, 10.28.24

Where Fire Investigations Go Wrong  
Live Virtual Training Webinar, 12.8.22

Give Stronger Deposition and Trial Testimony  
International Association of Arson Investigators, 11.10.22

When Your Subrogation Loss Goes to Court  
2022 NASP Annual Conference, 11.8.22

Don’t Get Burned Online – Subrogation vs. Amazon & Other Online Retailers  
2022 NASP Annual Conference, 11.8.22

Coverage College 2022  
10.13.22

Northern Virginia Joint Committee on Fire and Arson Investigation: Fire Investigator (1033) Recertification  
Virginia Department of Forensic Science – Northern Lab, 12.2.21

The Shield Surrounding Online Retailers - The Last 12 Months  
Webinar | The National Association of Subrogation Professionals, 9.14.21

## **PUBLICATIONS**

White and Williams Elevates New Subrogation Dept. Chair  
*Law360*, 1.10.25

Key Takeaways – Coverage College 2024  
12.12.24

18th Annual Coverage College  
10.30.24

Product Liability Trends: Data, Data Everywhere  
Fall 2023

An Interview with Captain Chris Konzermann: Public and Private Sector Fire Investigations  
*Subro Sessions*, 11.22.21