

Daniel J. O'Brien

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OVERVIEW

Dan O'Brien has retired from White and Williams LLP effective December 18, 2025.

Dan was focused on representing seriously injured individuals in a wide range of areas, including products liability, industrial accidents, premises liability accidents, construction site accidents, sports and recreation accidents and vehicular accidents. (See the Plaintiff's Personal Injury Group website at philainjurylawyers.com).

Dan and his team of experienced lawyers and support staff represented individuals who have suffered the most serious types of injuries, including quadriplegia, brain damage, catastrophic orthopedic injuries and severe burns. Dan and his team worked closely with a wide range of expert witnesses including neurologists, neuropsychologists, orthopedic surgeons, pain management doctors, plastic surgeons, vocational rehabilitation experts, economists, engineers, architects and others to thoroughly develop their clients' cases from both a damages and liability perspective.

Over the past few years Dan and his team had obtained multi-million-dollar recoveries for their clients in medical malpractice cases, products liability cases, motor vehicle accident cases and industrial accidents.

All personal injury cases are handled on a contingent fee basis. There is never any charge to the client.

Dan co-authored the book "I Thought This Thing Was Safe: An Essential Guide for Consumers Injured by Household Products." Dan co-wrote this book with Alison Russell in early 2020, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic "lockdown." The book provides comprehensive consumer-focused information on topics such as what makes a product unsafe, why people get hurt by products even when they are being careful, what elements make for a successful products liability lawsuit, and what consumers can expect if they decide they may want to pursue a legal case against a product manufacturer or seller.

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
New Jersey

EDUCATION

Villanova University School of Law, JD, 1984
Montclair State College, BA, 1980

The book draws on Dan's decades of experience representing injured consumers in cases against some of the largest manufacturers and retailers in the world. The book is available on Amazon.

During law school, Dan served as Editor of the *Villanova Law Review*.

RECOGNITION AND INVOLVEMENT

Dan was selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2021 in the practice area of Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs. He was also selected as a Pennsylvania "Super Lawyer" in 2005 and 2006 and is AV® rated by the Martindale-Hubbell peer review rating system.

Dan is very active in his community and served on the CYO Board of St. Helena Parish. He served for five years as the Athletic Director of the St. Helena School and two years as President of the Whitpain Recreation Association. He is also a member of the Legal Committee of USA Triathlon, the national governing body for the sports of triathlon and duathlon. Dan also sat on the Whitpain Township Parks and Open Spaces Board. Dan regularly presents continuing legal education programs for lawyers, including presentations on products liability issues, lawyer ethics issues, deposition skills and strategies and issues dealing with social justice. Dan led a series of CLE programs focused on social justice and the role lawyers can play in making American society more just for our most vulnerable and marginalized individuals and populations.

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