

White and Williams Announces Partner and Counsel Promotions

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PHILADELPHIA—White and Williams LLP is pleased to announce the promotion of the following attorneys: Paul A. Briganti, Patrick A. Haggerty, Timothy (T.J.) Keough, Randy J. Maniloff, and Eric A. Sauter. All five attorneys have been promoted to the Firm's partnership. The Firm has also promoted Michael L. DeBona, Lynnndon K. Groff, and Susan J. Zingone from Associate to Counsel.

"All of our new Partners and Counsel enrich the firm both internally and externally. They have demonstrated a deep commitment to providing our clients with best-in-class service and through their dedication and leadership earned elevation to partner and counsel at White and Williams," said firm Managing Partner Tim Davis. "We look forward to their many continued successes and contributions to the Firm."

Paul A. Briganti practices out of the Philadelphia office and represents national and international insurance companies in coverage disputes and complex commercial litigation. He has significant experience litigating and advising clients on issues arising under various lines of coverage, including general liability, cyber, D&O, employers liability, commercial auto and homeowners. In addition, Paul is an editor of the firm's *Complex Insurance Coverage Reporter* newsletter and a regular pro bono volunteer with the Senior Law Center. He received his J.D. from Villanova University School of Law.

Patrick A. Haggerty practices out of the Philadelphia office and focuses his practice on commercial real estate and finance. He was recently named as a *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*[®] in America 2024 for Banking and Finance Law. He represents developers, owners and investors, both international and domestic banks and insurance companies in the acquisition, development, leasing, financing, repositioning and disposition of commercial real estate assets. Patrick also regularly counsels clients in land banking transactions across the country. In addition, Patrick regularly advises both lenders and borrowers on varied credit facilities including asset-based loans. Patrick earned his J.D. from the Rutgers School of Law. Before embarking on a career as an attorney, Patrick played professional soccer for the New England Revolution of Major League Soccer.

Timothy (T.J.) Keough practices out of the Boston and Providence offices where he litigates complex civil disputes across an array of practice areas. He represents insured and self-insured entities, as well as insurers, in lawsuits or administrative proceedings in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and elsewhere. For

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PRACTICE AREAS

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Finance
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Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith
Litigation
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Financial & Investment Services
Healthcare
Insurance

the last four years, T.J. has been recognized in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America for Product Liability Litigation – Defendants. He serves on the Firm’s Pro Bono and Associate Development Committees. He received his J.D. from Suffolk University Law School.

Randy J. Maniloff transitioned back to the partnership after having served as counsel as he tackled some writing projects. Randy practices out of the Philadelphia office and focuses on the representation of insurers in coverage disputes over primary and excess obligations under a host of liability policies. A noted author, Randy publishes *Coverage Opinions*, a widely-read insurance coverage newsletter and his 2-volume book, *General Liability Insurance Coverage – Key Issues in Every State*, will be published in its 6th edition later this year. He was selected by *Best Lawyers*® 2020 *Insurance Law* as “Lawyer of the Year” in Philadelphia. He received his J.D. from Temple University Beasley School of Law, where he is currently an adjunct professor teaching Insurance Law.

Eric A. Sauter was fully admitted to the partnership and practices out of the Stamford and New York City offices where he focuses on real estate finance matters. He is experienced in all aspects of construction, bridge, mezzanine, and permanent mortgage loan originations, business banking, and the purchase and sale, and associated loan modifications and enforcement of loans. Eric received his J.D. from St. John’s University School of Law.

Michael L. DeBona is a litigator in the firm’s subrogation department and practices out of the Philadelphia office. Michael represents major property insurers nationally in recovering losses caused by product failures and construction defects. Michael has been named as a *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America for Insurance Law since 2021 and for Litigation – Construction since 2023. He received his law degree from Villanova University School of Law and his undergraduate degree from Rutgers College.

Lynndon K. Groff practices out of the Philadelphia office and focuses his practice on insurance coverage and bad faith. He counsels and represents international and domestic insurers in a variety of coverage matters, including claims involving long-term exposure to hazardous substances, environmental pollution, workplace accidents, and other alleged injuries and damages in numerous states. Lynndon graduated magna cum laude from Boston College Law School.

Susan J. Zingone practices out of the Cherry Hill office and focuses her practice on matters of catastrophic loss, healthcare, products liability and commercial litigation. Before joining the firm, she was an Assistant District Attorney in the Philadelphia District Attorney’s Office Majors Trial Unit. She has significant experience in preparing expert and civilian witnesses. Susan received her J.D. from Rutgers School of Law – Camden.

White and Williams offers sincere congratulations to everyone who was promoted and recognizes with great pride all of our talented attorneys and staff as we enter 2024 and celebrate the Firm’s 125th Anniversary.