

Insurance



Our Approach to Your Assignments

Our attorneys, paralegals and administrative staff are well-attuned to the needs of insurance claims professionals, from file assignment to file closing. We understand that our clients expect exceptional legal expertise at reasonable cost. We are committed to delivering on that expectation and also to providing an equally exceptional service experience, including:

- Accurate budgeting
- Timely reporting
- Early case resolution strategies
- Guideline-compliant billing
- Thorough liability, damages and credibility analysis

Our goal is to pursue the earliest, most favorable and cost-effective outcome possible for our clients. Not every case can be resolved outside the courtroom. The underwriters who depend on us know that, if trial is the right course of action, it will be pursued with the confidence instilled by the experience and ability of our seasoned trial attorneys. The firm is known for successfully championing our clients' interest at trial, whether before judge or jury, in state and federal courts.

CWM is an insurance defense and coverage law firm, providing legal services to leading American and London market insurers. Our insurance practice spans many market segments, including marine, property/casualty, employment, construction, surety, and professional liability.

Insurance Defense

In our extensive litigation practice, the multi-dimensional experience of our firm has put our attorneys in the forefront of several liability defense practice areas, including:

- Commercial Auto/Truck
- Products liability
- Railroad liability
- Maritime law
- Governmental liability
- Environmental/toxic torts
- Construction/surety
- Employment
- Indemnity/contractual liability
- Cyber security/data breach
- Professional/E&O

While our liability defense practice is predominantly in Virginia and North Carolina, we do handle cases in other jurisdictions for select clients. Where necessary, we work with local counsel preferred by our clients or selected by us from our networks of specialized practitioners.

Insurance Coverage

CWM assists underwriters across varied market segments with policy coverage analysis, thorough coverage opinions and reservations of rights letters. The firm also provides monitoring services where excess policies are at risk or in matters involving insureds with high retentions. We also defend claims of bad faith and other first party claims. In our coverage work, we have evaluated virtually all standard policy forms and many manuscript policies.



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