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Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas
Complex Tort & General Casualty/2020

Plaintiff slipped and fell on an icy sidewalk at insured apartment complex, allegedly resulting in knee damage and surgery. Although the verdict was in favor of the plaintiff in the amount of \$183,000, the plaintiff boarded \$304,000 in economic damages, in addition to claims for pain and suffering, etc. The lowest demand before verdict was \$250,000.

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Superior Court, Camden County, New Jersey
Complex Tort & General Casualty/2019

Motor vehicle accident that concluded in a jury verdict for the plaintiff in the amount of \$149,000; the lowest pre-trial demand was \$187,500.

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Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas
Product Liability/2017

Claims of wrongful death and personal injuries sustained by elderly plaintiffs as a result of Legionnaire's Disease allegedly contracted due to defective water filtration equipment. The case was reverse-bifurcated, resulting in a trial on damages first and a verdict against all defendants for \$1.4 million (against demand of \$2 million). The liability phase settled, with our client paying approximately 10% of the total sum.

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Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas
Product Liability/2014

Plaintiff landscaper claimed that our client's allegedly defective tractor design led to significant personal injury, including below-knee amputation. The specific allegations included failure to incorporate a safety switch on the machine. The global demand was in excess of \$5 million. A settlement was reached at trial and our client's contribution was \$25,000.

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Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas
Aviation/2011

Represented an aircraft ground service equipment repair facility in a case involving the separation of a wheel shortly after service was performed. The jury reached a verdict for the plaintiff in the amount of \$2.1 million, and lowest demand was \$7.5 million.

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U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
Employment & Labor/2010

Represented elected sheriff in a claim by former employee whose employment was allegedly terminated for political reasons. The jury returned a plaintiff's verdict for roughly \$100,000.

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Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas
Product Liability/2008

Represented a personal watercraft manufacturer in a personal injury claim. The plaintiff alleged defective seat padding caused significant injuries, including a broken back. In a bench trial, the court returned a defense verdict.

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Burlington County Superior Court, New Jersey
Product Liability/2007

Plaintiff claimed that our client's allegedly defective tractor design led to significant personal injury, including arm amputation. The specific allegations included a failure to make a safety switch accessible on the machine. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas
Complex Tort & General Casualty/2007

Represented a contractor in a case where the plaintiff fell allegedly due to provision of a defective ladder. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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Complex Tort & General Casualty/2007

Represented an oil distribution company in claim made by the plaintiff railroad worker after a slip and fall. In a bench trial, the court returned a directed defense verdict.

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U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
Product Liability/2006

Represented the manufacturer of industrial slitter in a claim for alleged hand injuries. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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Bucks County Court of Common Pleas
Product Liability/2005

Represented a personal watercraft manufacturer in a personal injury action alleging defective vessel engine. The jury found in favor of the plaintiff for roughly \$250,000, which was close to the demand.

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Bucks County Court of Common Pleas
Complex Tort & General Casualty/2005

Represented a homeowner whose daughter – along with the plaintiff's son – were killed in a garage fire. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
Product Liability/2003

Plaintiff claimed that our client's allegedly defective tractor design led to significant personal injury. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania

Product Liability/2000

Represented an ATV manufacturer in a personal injury action. The plaintiff alleged to have sustained the injuries as a result of vehicle instability. The case settled after cross-examination of plaintiff's expert for approximately 10% of the demand.

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U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Product Liability/2000

Represented a powerboat manufacturer in a claim made by a passenger who suffered a broken back allegedly due to faulty design of seat. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Product Liability/1996

Represented a personal watercraft manufacturer in a case involving the alleged wrongful death of a 14-year-old. The jury returned a defense verdict.

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Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas

Product Liability/1987

Defended a fire insurer on arson and misrepresentation grounds. The jury returned a defense verdict.