

2023 Professional Liability Roundtable Speakers



David Anderson is a dedicated and fierce advocate for his clients focusing on complex cyber, privacy, technology, and professional liability issues. With extensive experience in risk assessment, pre-breach network security risk discovery and risk management, as well as hands-on post-incident client support and claims advocacy, David is committed to helping his clients navigate a complex and ever-changing cyber and professional liability insurance marketplace to ensure they achieve market-leading coverage terms and conditions at the best possible premium. Prior to joining Woodruff Sawyer, David was most recently a Partner at McGill and Partners and Head of Major Accounts for Lockton prior to that. David graduated from Arizona State University with a B.S. in Management.



Louis Britton is a partner with Kightlinger & Gray LLP and works out of its Indianapolis, Indiana office. His practice primarily focuses on professional liability and construction. In 2022, Lou was selected as an *Indiana Super Lawyer* - Rising Star. In his professional liability practice, Lou has represented accountants, actuaries, real estate professionals, insurance agents, and lawyers. Lou especially enjoys defending other lawyers to learn other areas of the law.

Lou is the Chair of Kightlinger & Gray LLP's statewide Construction Law Practice Group. Lou's construction practice encompasses design defects as well as construction injury litigation and arbitration. His interest in construction came at an early age helping with DIY projects around the house and has continued to this day.

Much like Lou's commitment to the success of his clients, he is committed to the success of Kightlinger & Gray LLP and serves as the Chair of the firm's Expansion Committee and is a member of the firm's Finance Committee.

In his free time, he loves to coach his two daughters in basketball and softball as well as travel with his family.



Alex J. Brown heads Shapiro Sher's insurance law practice. He represents national insurance companies, insurance producers, and commercial policyholders in complex insurance coverage disputes, including those relating to business interruption, lost income and extra expense, cyberattacks, as well as business torts, contractual, and other commercial disputes. Alex has served as primary counsel in state and federal court matters throughout the country. As a former Assistant Attorney General and Senior Counsel to the Maryland Insurance Administration, Alex also has extensive experience helping clients through administrative proceedings, market conduct exams, and other regulatory matters.

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Brock Dahl is Counsel at Freshfield Bruckhaus Deringer LLP's Washington, D.C. and Silicon Valley offices where he focuses on guiding clients through complex cybersecurity, advanced technology development, data privacy and strategy, and regulatory issues. Brock brings cutting-edge technology, cyber, and data experience to the firm after spending several years with the National Security Agency (NSA) and earlier years in Silicon Valley. In his most recent position as Deputy General Counsel, Operations at the NSA, he advised the NSA's leadership on how to achieve their mission objectives within the boundaries of state, federal, and international cyber, privacy, and national security laws. He has a deep understanding of advanced technologies and how to manage the legal and practical challenges that they raise and has been at the forefront of the government's response to many of the most significant global cyber incidents in recent years.

Prior to serving as counsel at the NSA, Brock practiced at international law firms where he advised on data privacy, cybersecurity, government investigations and white-collar defense, and transactional issues. Brock also held several positions at the U.S. Department of Treasury where he focused on economic crimes. Brock has authored pieces and often speaks publicly on legal strategy regarding a variety of national security and cybersecurity topics. Particularly pertinent to the current data security landscape, Brock has written extensively on combatting organized criminality in liminal environments. He has also authored a fiction novel on pre-civil war Lebanon, titled *The Third Force*.






Jennifer Faas joined Somp International in July 2021 and handles E&O claims for different types of miscellaneous professionals including insurance agents/brokers and property managers. Jen has more than 20 years of experience directly handling and managing teams of claims professionals handling lawyers professional liability, MPL, private company D&O, fiduciary, and fidelity claims. She also worked as an associate at a law firm in New York City where she represented clients in coverage litigation. Jen graduated *summa cum laude* with a B.A. in English from Wagner College and received her J.D. from Pace University School of Law with a Certificate in Environmental Law. She is licensed to practice law in New York and New Jersey.



Maria Fazzolari is the Head of Specialty and Professional Claims for Nationwide. An attorney with more than 25 years of experience, Maria joined Nationwide 14 years ago and currently leads a group of approximately 100 associates handling various specialty and professional lines coverages. Prior to joining Nationwide, Maria spent a number of years in private practice, with a focus on coverage for professional lines insurance, followed by a position at another carrier. Maria is a graduate of New York University and Fordham University School of Law and is admitted to practice in the state of New York.

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	<p>Monique Ferraro provides legal and technical expertise in support of Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Company Global Cyber Products. Ms. Ferraro's cybersecurity and privacy experience spans more than 25 years in digital forensics, eDiscovery, information security, and privacy. Ms. Ferraro holds a master's degree and a J.D. She is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), a Fellow of Information Privacy, a Certified Information Privacy Professional/US (CIPP/US), a Certified Information Privacy Manager (CIPM), and a Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU).</p>
	<p>W.M. Bains Fleming, III has had more than 25 cases to verdict, which goes to show he is at home in the courtroom. He has a wide-ranging practice that includes the defense of medical malpractice claims, catastrophic person injury, and wrongful death claims along with toxic and mass tort litigation. He also handles product liability, premises liability, transportation, and construction litigation matters.</p>
	<p>Andrew R. Jones is a partner in the New York City law firm of Furman Kornfeld & Brennan LLP. Mr. Jones' practice focuses on professional liability matters and includes: (i) the direct defense of lawyers and other professionals; and (ii) giving advice to domestic and international insurers on policy language, product management, and claims management across the United States and abroad. Mr. Jones has tried multi-million-dollar cases in both federal and state courts, and has represented insurers in international and domestic arbitrations, including in London, the United States, and Bermuda. Mr. Jones has drafted and managed insurance policies and programs for insurers and is a regular lecturer on professional liability defense matters, including the Bi-Annual New York Bar Association-sponsored statewide Legal Malpractice Seminars. Mr. Jones is admitted as an attorney in New York and is a Solicitor admitted to practice in England and Wales. Mr. Jones is the Past President of the Professional Liability Defense Federation (PLDF) and a Past Vice Chair of the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC)'s Professional Liability Committee.</p>
	<p>Amit Kachhia-Patel, Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC), currently oversees the FBI New York Office's Cyber program which encompasses approximately 100 personnel working both nation-state and criminal intrusion matters. He has more than 18 years of experience as an FBI Special Agent. During his first seven years, then case agent Kachhia-Patel handled foreign counterintelligence and insider threat matters. He intimately worked Operation Ghost Stories and was responsible for the arrest of the Russian Illegal Anna Chapman. Over the last decade, ASAC Kachhia-Patel has focused his efforts on nation-state hacking efforts through field work as well as program management from FBI headquarters. Notably, while stationed in Washington, DC, then SSA Kachhia-Patel helped to manage large intrusions including the Sony Pictures destructive malware attack and healthcare PII intrusions to name a few. Until recently he managed a team investigating computer network exploitation emanating from Asia. ASAC Kachhia-Patel also serves as an advisor for Fordham University and FBI's International Conference on Cyber Security (ICCS).</p>

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Paula Koczan defends healthcare providers in medical malpractice and licensure actions. She has extensive trial experience in state and federal courts.

Paula, who is a registered nurse, also handles nursing home cases as well as prisoners' civil rights actions and product and general liability matters. Her clients include hospitals, physicians, advanced practice nurses, and physician groups and their employees.

Since 2008, Paula has been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in America in the area of medical malpractice law - defendants. In 2019, Paula was featured as a top medical malpractice attorney by Pennsylvania Super Lawyers. Paula has been named as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer since 2010.

Paula was selected for membership in the Academy of Trial Lawyers of Western Pennsylvania as well as the International Association of Defense Attorneys and served as a faculty member at the IADC's Trial Academy held at Stanford.



Kristina Littman is a partner in the Litigation Department and a member of the Securities Litigation & Enforcement Practice Group at Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP. Kristy represents corporations, registrants, and individuals in complex disputes, including regulatory enforcement and white-collar defense. She also counsels clients on cryptocurrency and digital assets regulation and cybersecurity matters, including investigations and enforcement actions by financial regulators.

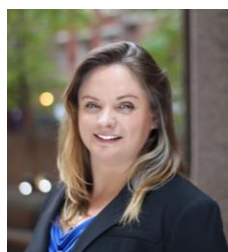


Joyván Malbon-Griffin, Esq. (Joy) is a Regional Director and Claims Attorney with Minnesota Lawyers Mutual. She received her undergraduate degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA and her Juris Doctor degree from North Carolina Central University School of Law in Durham, NC. Prior to joining MLM, Joy practiced complex civil litigation in state and federal court. She was also an adjunct professor teaching Contracts Law and a vast array of other legal classes. In her daily tasks as Regional Director and Claims Attorney, she assists firms with the securement of liability insurance and provides risk management to firms including but not limited to ethical malpractice prevention, case file management, trust account management, and cybersecurity. Joy is a member and the Deputy Legal Advisor for Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated where she manages discipline and risk for the one-hundred-year-old international sorority. Additionally, she is a member of the James Kent Inns of Court, a CLE Committee member of the Norfolk Portsmouth Bar Association, and a board member for the Urban League of Hampton Roads. In 2021, she was named a Virginia Business Legal Elite and, in 2022, was admitted to the United States Supreme Court Bar.

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Melissa Dorman Matthews focuses her practice on professional liability, product liability, and employment matters. She is in her 29th year of practice and has tried cases all over Texas and beyond. She joined Steptoe & Johnson PLLC in April of 2022 after spending 21 years with a litigation boutique in Dallas, Texas. Melissa earned her law degree from Texas Tech University and her bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University. When she is not in the office, she enjoys spending time on her farmhouse outside of Waco, Texas and attending Baylor University football and basketball games. She and her husband are parents to 3-year-old "brothers from other mothers," a Giant Schnauzer named Bode and an Airedale Terrier named Wolfy.



Lauren M. Nagle is an Assistant Vice President, Claims Counsel at Somp International, where she is responsible for handling Professional Liability claims with a specialty in lawyer's and accountant's malpractice. Lauren has over 13 years of experience handling complex high exposure claims, often involving complicated coverage issues, the negotiation of multi-million-dollar settlements and the management of risk to limit exposure. Prior to joining Somp, Lauren was a senior associate at a major insurance-focused law firm in New York City where she represented London-based and domestic insurance carriers in connection with high exposure legal malpractice cases. Prior to her career in legal malpractice/insurance, she was an associate for a general practice law firm in Westchester County, NY handling various corporate, real property, foreclosure as well as trust and estate matters. Lauren is a graduate of Loyola Maryland and Brooklyn Law School. She is licensed to practice law in New York and Connecticut.



Jaime Palumbo is Vice President of Claims at Corvus Insurance where she oversees the US claims team that handles first and third-party cyber claims including regulatory proceedings and complex privacy class action litigation. She joined Corvus after serving as an Assistant Vice President of Cyber Claims at Chubb where she managed a team handling cyber claims. Jaime started her insurance career at AIG working as a claims adjuster handling professional liability claims. Soon after, she joined the Cyber/Tech/Media group where she worked as a Complex Claims Director. Prior to entering the insurance field, Jaime worked for several years as a litigation attorney at a national law firm handling professional liability and employment practice matters for various insurance carriers. Jaime brings her years of professional lines experience and cyber specific training to lead the Corvus claims team in delivering superior claim service to policyholders and broker partners.



Peter J. Pizzi is a business litigator with more than 40 years of experience in commercial litigation, class action defense, internal investigations, internet and IP litigation, and labor and employment law. He has handled matters on behalf of corporate clients in a broad array of industries. Peter has distinguished himself in the field of technology law, regularly lecturing at CLE programs on technology law, and writing on cutting-edge issues—such as privacy and cybersecurity, content piracy, and e-discovery. Peter was the recipient of the IADC's 2022 Yancey Award, for excellence in Defense Counsel Journal writing for his article "Social Media Immunity in 2021 and Beyond: Will Platforms Continue to Avoid Litigation Exposure Faced by Offline Counterparts."

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David Prisco is Director of Claims at CARE Professional Liability. He specializes in handling medical, dental, and long-term care liability claims and insurance coverage issues. He is also a certified mediator.



Michael Rossi is a civil litigation partner at Conn Kavanaugh Rosenthal Peisch & Ford in Boston. His practice focuses on professional liability, business litigation, and employment matters. He regularly defends attorneys and other professionals in malpractice actions and disciplinary proceedings while also providing ethics advice to lawyers and law firms. His commercial litigation practice includes complex contract disputes, unfair business and trade practice claims, and insurance coverage matters. Mike currently serves as a hearing officer for the Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers. He joined the IADC in 2022.



Andrea Schillaci leads Hurwitz Fine's Business & Commercial Litigation Department. She focuses her practice on business disputes, employment litigation, professional liability, healthcare, and regulatory and compliance matters. She is listed among the Top 25 Female and Top 50 Attorneys in Upstate New York *Super Lawyers* magazine and is listed among the *Best Lawyers in America*. Most recently, she was awarded the Top Women in Law - Excellence in Law Award by the *New York Daily Record* and was honored as a Woman of Influence by Buffalo Business First. Andrea is a member of the firm's board and co-chair of the Professional Liability Committee of the Harmonie Group, a carefully vetted national network of defense attorneys who work to ensure top quality national coverage for their clients. She is also the immediate past president of the National Association of Women Business Owners ("NAWBO"), Buffalo Niagara Chapter.



Jennifer Schoenthal is head of Digital Health at Hudson Insurance Group. She has more than 25 years of underwriting and product development experience, with a focus on medical professional liability and digital health exposures. In her role at Hudson, Jennifer is currently developing HudsonPro®'s new portfolio of digital health coverages. She is a nationally recognized speaker, author, and thought leader. Prior to joining Hudson Insurance Group, Jennifer held digital health and medical professional liability product leadership positions.

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Robert G. Smith is a partner in Mayer LLP's office in Houston, Texas. Rob currently serves as the Chair of the Medical Defense and Health Law Committee in the International Association of Defense Counsel, and he is a member of the Product Liability and Business Litigation Committees. Rob has defended manufacturers (heavy equipment, medical devices, durable medical equipment, sporting goods), health care providers, and other businesses, both large and small, in litigation as well as transactional matters. Rob graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a degree in mathematics from Louisiana State University and attended law school at the University of Houston College of Law. He is Board Certified in personal injury trial law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and has tried a wide variety of cases during his 26+ years of practice. He can be reached at rsmith@mayerllp.com.

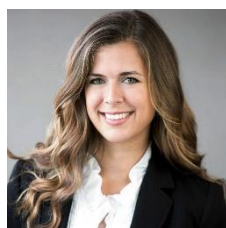


Tim Sullivan has worked in the insurance claims field for 40 years. For the past 30 years, Tim has focused on professional liability claims involving lawyers, accountants, public officials, real estate agents, insurance company D&O and E&O, and insurance agents. He presently serves as the Chair of the Board of Directors of the National Risk Retention Association (NRRA), the trade association for Risk Retention Groups (RRGs) and Risk Purchasing Groups (RPGs), and is a director and Chief Operating Officer/Chief Claims Officer for an RRG that provides liability insurance to paraglider and hang glider pilots and their national association.



Doug Vaughn is a partner with Deutsch, Kerrigan, LLP and is the head of its Gulfport, Mississippi office. He is licensed to practice law in Mississippi and Florida. He maintains the highest rating with a number of attorney rating services and is the past president of the Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association. Mr. Vaughn's practice consists of the representation of individuals and businesses in litigated matters as well as in the legal aspects of running their businesses. He has an active trial practice ranging from the defense of health care professionals to commercial litigation and personal injury litigation and insurance law including coverage opinions.

Some of Mr. Vaughn's representative clients include financial institutions, healthcare professionals, small and large businesses, individuals, and insurance companies.



Sarah Voutyras serves as coverage, monitoring, and litigation counsel on all lines of business liability insurance, including D&O, E&O, Cyber, and PL insurance. Sarah has broad experience litigating emerging legal issues in the cyber, technology, and management liability space. Sarah also counsels insurers with respect to the risk presented by, coverage for, and resolution of high-exposure litigations and regulatory enforcement actions involving cybersecurity, data privacy/breaches, fintech, insurtech, and other emerging technologies, along with privacy litigation, consumer class actions, shareholder litigations, and related insurance coverages.