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John T. Harding is a member in the Boston office of McAngus, Goudelock & Courie, LLC. John's practice is concentrated in the areas of insurance coverage litigation and advice, reinsurance disputes and arbitrations, and "bad faith" litigation. John has more than thirty years of experience representing domestic and foreign insurers on a national basis in coverage disputes under CGL, excess, umbrella, commercial property, homeowners, auto, and other specialized policies, as well as reinsurance contracts and treaties. His expertise extends to claims arising out of underlying environmental, asbestos, products, pharmaceutical, medical device, employment discrimination, technology, construction, tort, and other liabilities, as well as a broad range of first-party losses. John is the immediate past Chair of the Insurance and Reinsurance Committee of IADC and has been a frequent speaker at the Annual and Midyear Meetings. John is also the recipient of the IADC Yancey Award for an article published in the *Defense Counsel Journal*. In his free time, John enjoys international travel and reading the works of Joyce and other Irish writers.





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Paula A. Koczan is an experienced attorney who focuses on defending healthcare providers in medical malpractice and licensure actions. With a strong background in both state and federal court trials, Paula is adept at navigating complex legal proceedings for her clients. Drawing from her background as a registered nurse, Paula offers a distinct perspective to her cases enabling her to provide enhanced service to her clients. She handles nursing home cases as well as prisoners' civil rights actions and product and general liability matters. She represents a range of clients including hospitals, physicians, advanced practice nurses, physician groups, and their employees.

Paula's exceptional accomplishments have earned her recognition within the legal community. Since 2008, Paula has been selected for inclusion in *The Best*

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	<p><i>Lawyers in America</i>® in the area of medical malpractice law – defendants. In 2013, Paula was included in the list of Top 50 Women Pennsylvania <i>Super Lawyers</i>, and she has been repeatedly selected to the lists of <i>Super Lawyers</i> issued by Thomson Reuters.</p> <p>Committed to her profession, Paula is actively involved in prestigious legal organizations such as the Academy of Trial Lawyers of Western Pennsylvania and the International Association of Defense Attorneys. She has also served as a faculty member at the IADC’s Trial Academy held at Stanford, demonstrating her dedication to sharing her wisdom with fellow legal professionals.</p>
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	<p>Donna Lamontagne <i>IADC President</i> <i>Lamontagne, Spaulding & Hayes, LLP</i> <i>Cranston, RI USA</i> dlamontagne@lshattorneys.com</p> <p>Donna Lamontagne is a Founding Partner of Lamontagne, Spaulding & Hayes, LLP in Cranston, Rhode Island, circa 2015. The firm is wholly female-owned and defends national insurance companies, their insureds and members, as well as self-insured entities and corporations. Donna has been trying civil jury and bench trials in state and federal courts in Rhode Island and Massachusetts for</p>

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more than three decades. She also does insurance coverage work and arbitrates or mediates countless civil matters each year in the areas of tort, contract, products, employment, and construction litigation.

Donna and Tom have three daughters, Cayce (22), Annie (22), and Mary (21). The family is grateful for their IADC friends and memories.



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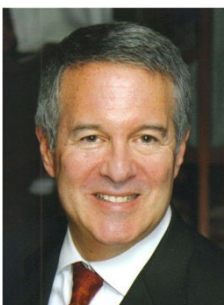
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Peter J. Biging is an accomplished trial and appellate attorney with more than 35 years of experience as a litigator in the state and federal courts of New York. His practice focuses on litigation involving directors and officers, financial institutions, and defense of management and professional liability claims, including the defense of a variety of professionals against errors and omissions claims, labor and employment practices litigation, commercial litigation, municipal liability litigation, and professional liability coverage work. His work as a litigator includes defending a variety of financial service professionals, including insurance agents and brokers, investment advisers, accountants, broker-dealers and their registered representatives. He also regularly represents lawyers, real estate and title agents, and a variety of miscellaneous professionals. Peter regularly handles complex, high-stakes commercial litigations and claims involving allegations of fraud or malfeasance, as well as litigations of non-solicitation/non-compete disputes. A partner in the firm's Manhattan offices, he heads up the Goldberg Segalla metro area Management and Professional Liability practice and is Co-chair of the M&PL practice group nationally.

Peter is widely recognized as an authority on D&O, management and professional liability, E&O, EPL, and professional liability coverage issues. In addition to regularly writing and presenting to national audiences on these topics, he is active in a number of organizations devoted to the education and development of lawyers involved in management and professional liability defense work, including his current role as a member of the Board of the Professional Liability Defense Federation (PLDF) (for which he currently serves as President), various posts within the American Bar Association's Tort, Trial & Insurance Practice Section (TIPS) (including Editor in Chief of The Brief, the TIPS flagship magazine, and TIPS liaison to the ABA Standing Committee on

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	<p>Lawyers' Professional Liability), and his active participation in the Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS) (for which he hosts a podcast on management and professional liability issues called <i>The Precipice</i>), and the Claim and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM), for whom he has written numerous articles, given numerous presentations, and served on several committees. He is regularly recognized as a New York metro area <i>Super Lawyer</i> in Professional Liability Defense, is AV rated by Martindale Hubbell as having the highest levels of skill and integrity, and has been selected a Top 100 Bet the Company Litigator.</p>
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	<p>Mark J. Bunim <i>Case Closure, LLC.</i> New York, NY USA bunim@caseclosure.com</p> <p>Mark J. Bunim is an advanced trained mediator and arbitrator and an attorney licensed to practice in the Courts of New York and the United States Courts since 1976. Mark has conducted more than 400 mediations and more than 150 arbitrations concerning insurance policy related and coverage issues, complex business disputes, and partnership disputes. His arbitrations and mediations have principally involved all insurance policy types including general liability, property, construction, employment practices, supply-chain, business interruption, directors and officers, rep. and warranty, professional liability, life, disability, and workers comp. He has also arbitrated and mediated many insurance industry related business disputes between insurers and MGAs,</p>

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brokers and agents, and general commercial and technology disputes and family business disputes.

Mark has been selected as “2013 Top Rated Lawyer in Insurance Law” by the *American Lawyer/New York Law Journal*. He has also been selected as a member of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals (NADN) and as a Charter Member of the New York Academy of Mediators and Arbitrators.

Mark is a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators. He is on the Panel of Large and Complex Case Arbitrators at the American Arbitration Association; the Panel of Commercial Arbitrators of the AAA; the Panel of Insurance Mediators of the American Arbitration Association; the Panel of Commercial Arbitrators and Mediators of FedArb.; the panel of the National Association of Distinguished Neutrals; and is Chairman of Case Closure Arbitrators and Mediators.

He is on the Executive Board of the New York State Bar Association Dispute Resolution Section and is immediate past Co-Chair of the Insurance Dispute Committee of the DR Section.

From 1996 to 2005, Mark was a partner in Robinson Silverman Pearce Aronsohn & Berman, which became Bryan Cave, LLP (in 2003) with a practice focusing on commercial litigation, insurance related and coverage cases, and alternative dispute resolution. While at the firm, he was co-leader of the insurance litigation and risk management group, and head of the New York insurance coverage litigation team, representing policyholders. Before that, from 1983 to 1996, Mark was managing partner at Ohrenstein and Brown, a 45-person New York City law firm specializing in insurance coverage, complex tort, and commercial related disputes. Ohrenstein and Brown represented insurers.

Mark graduated from New York University, *summa cum laude*, in 1971 and Rutgers University School of Law (1975). He has spoken at meetings, conventions, and seminars around the country on ADR and insurance issues and has appeared on radio, television, and in the press, talking about risk management and insurance coverage and recovery. He has authored articles on insurance and business mediation and arbitration in many publications, including the *New York Law Journal*, the *AAA Dispute Resolution Journal*, and *Litigation Management Magazine*, and is an insurance arbitration columnist contributor for *Practical Law*.

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In addition to her clinical work, Dr. Colombino is an adjunct faculty member and is regularly invited to guest lecture at local universities and agencies. She has numerous peer-reviewed publications and has presented her research at national conferences. Dr. Colombino has also provided continuing education

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	<p>trainings and holds a seat as a committee member on a board that provides APA-sponsorship approval for continuing education programming for psychologists.</p>
	<p>Benjamin Cornelius, P.E., C.E., S.E., P.Eng. <i>LERA Consulting Structural Engineers</i> <i>New York, NY USA</i> benjamin.cornelius@lera.com</p> <p>Benjamin Cornelius is a structural engineer with more than 30 years of experience in the design and rehabilitation of structures, including tall buildings and other complex structures. His projects include the Broad Museum in Los Angeles, the renovation and expansion of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, and the supertall TransNational Place in Boston. Mr. Cornelius leads LERA's Forensic Investigations and Expert Witness Practice and is an experienced expert witness. He has conducted more than 50 forensic investigations in North America, Europe, and Asia in disputes totaling more than \$2 billion. He has provided consultations in disputes involving tall buildings, residential structures, embassy complexes, medical facilities, historic buildings, sports and entertainment structures, transportation facilities, hydraulic structures, and modular construction. He has led investigations into the collapse of steel, concrete, and masonry structures and has testified in mediation, arbitration, and court proceedings. Mr. Cornelius is past Chair of the Executive Committee of the Forensic Engineering Division of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and has served as an adjunct faculty member at the Rhode Island School of Design. He is author of several papers and articles on structural engineering topics and co-authored ASCE's <i>Guidelines for Failure Investigations</i> (2018) and ASCE's <i>Investigation of Constructed Facilities: Sampling Methodologies</i> (2021). He is licensed as an engineer in several U.S. states and Canada.</p>
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	<p>issues. Her team also manages the company's coverage litigation and provides counsel on the company's largest exposure cases including mass torts and excess verdict appeals. Prior to joining ProAssurance in 2018, Candace began her career as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alabama handling cases of child dependency and termination of parental rights due to abuse and neglect. She was also previously an insurance defense attorney in private practice in Birmingham.</p>
	<p>Lauren R. Eichaker, Ph.D., CAISS <i>S-E-A, Ltd.</i> <i>Columbus, OH USA</i> leichaker@SEAlimited.com</p> <p>After receiving her Bachelor of Science degree with a focus in biomedical engineering from the University of Wisconsin – Madison, and her Master of Science degree with a focus in biomedical engineering from The University of Memphis, Dr. Lauren Eichaker then received her Ph.D. with a focus in biomedical engineering from The Ohio State University. Lauren's doctoral research was funded primarily through the US Department of Transportation (USDOT); she studied the injury biomechanics and epidemiology of crash imminent scenarios geared toward informing automated vehicle behavior design.</p> <p>Prior to joining S-E-A in 2018, Lauren gained experience in academia as a postdoctoral scientist at Nationwide Children's Hospital. She is still a faculty member with The Ohio State University's department of biomedical engineering where she has taught courses on the principles of product design (since 2019) and anatomy and physiology (since 2023).</p> <p>At S-E-A, Lauren's practice focuses on applying principles of injury biomechanics and the epidemiology of injury to crash imminent safety research and scenario generation for automated vehicle testing and validation. She applies her experience in full-body and tissue level anatomy and biomechanics, use and application of anthropomorphic test devices, human factors, and ergonomics. Lauren also leverages her experience in applying principles of the product design process; including the process of innovation, new product development, and product testing and validation. She also has background in analysis and application of standards, device research, user interface analyses, ergonomic analyses, warnings, labels, manual design, and device centric human factors assessments.</p>

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Prior to joining MLM, Joy practiced complex civil litigation in state and federal court. 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 also a member and the International Legal Advisor and General Counsel for Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated. 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 2022, Joy was admitted to the United States Supreme Court Bar and in 2024 she was named a Virginia Business Legal Elite.



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Managing Partner of O'Hagan Meyer's Philadelphia and New Jersey offices, John P. Morgenstern specializes in all aspects of complex commercial litigation, for which he has earned the rating of AV Preeminent, the highest possible rating in professional and ethical standards from Martindale-Hubbell.®. As lead counsel, John has tried 78 cases to verdict.

John's extensive experience in mass tort and class action defense includes USA Gymnastics and Boy Scouts of America and he routinely defends hotels, motels, and others in the hospitality industry, including claims alleging human trafficking. John has evaluated thousands of claims brought by and on behalf of child victims of sex crimes. While serving in the JAG Corps overseas from 2002 to 2005, he prosecuted sex crimes, including human trafficking, involving the abuse and exploitation of children. In civil practice, John evaluates claims

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involving the sexual abuse of children that have involved single victims and single perpetrators as well as sexual abuse involving multiple victims of common and of multiple perpetrators and claims involving systemic and frequent abuse lasting for years. He is routinely engaged by institutional and insurance clients to investigate, evaluate, and to defend claims and lawsuits involving allegations of sexual abuse and human trafficking.

John's insurance coverage practice includes analyzing coverages, policy terms, definitions, conditions, exclusions, and endorsements that directly affect the scope, amount, and availability of proceeds of insurance policies. He evaluates claims spanning policy periods in mass tort cases, including cases involving Chapter 11 plans of reorganization. He has served in various roles for institutional clients, insurers, and debtors in bankruptcy in matters including *In re USA Gymnastics*, *In re Boy Scouts of America*, several cases involving Catholic dioceses, and many other cases involving religious and civic organizations. A significant portion of John's practice is dedicated to evaluating value ranges for settlements of single claims as well as mass tort claims at every stage from pre-suit civil and criminal investigations and ADR, in the tort system, and in bankruptcy courts, and in mediation and settlement administration processes.

John and his team also defend licensed professionals and institutions, including nursing homes; drug, alcohol, and mental health treatment centers; other skilled care facilities; insurance agents and brokers; lawyers; architects; engineers; and other licensed professionals. John has defended multiple professional sports teams and organizations.

A fourth-generation defense attorney, John's roots in the insurance and insurance defense industries run deep. He is particularly versed in insurance coverage and coverage litigation and currently chairs DRI's Medicare Secondary Payer Act Task Force and regularly assists insurance companies, settlement trustees and administrators in MSP Act compliance, including section 111 reporting and settlement and distribution procedures.

John served with the U.S. Army's Judge Advocate General's ("JAG") Corps during the first phase of Operation Iraqi Freedom and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal in Iraq, a NATO Commanding General's Commendation in Bosnia-Herzegovina, and the U.S. Meritorious Service Medal in Germany, among other military awards and recognitions. Based on his experience and training in the Middle East, John authored *The Interrogators' Guide to Depositions*,

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Investigations, and Discovery: What Civil Trial Attorneys Can Learn from the World's Best Interrogators, which was published in June 2018 and is available at all major booksellers.

An avid runner, John has completed full marathons in Rome, Paris, Dublin, Washington, DC, and Philadelphia, in addition to several shorter distance races and triathlons. He lives in Wilmington, Delaware with his wife and their two children.



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As a digital forensics expert, Mr. Nevins has conducted electronic evidence collection and analysis from a diverse assortment of equipment and systems ranging from smartphones, mobile computing, networked data systems, cloud-based applications, digital video recording systems, vehicle-based data and telematics systems, embedded and industrial controls, and Internet of Things (IoT) devices. He utilizes his expertise to aid in the understanding and resolution of disputes centered in commercial business and employment, theft of confidential data and trade secrets, equipment malfunction and failures, fraud and arson investigations, and all forms of complex civil and criminal litigation matters. As a large-loss consulting expert, Mr. Nevins has provided analysis and opinions related to the damage of complex information technology infrastructure environments resulting from exposure to contaminants, adverse electrical events, and other perils.

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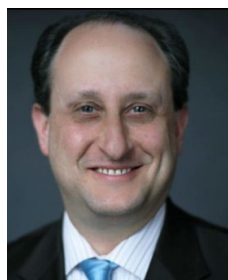
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Jonathan concentrates his practice on insurance coverage litigation and counseling, arising from matters involving primary and excess commercial general liability, commercial and residential property, cyber, D&O, E&O, and commercial auto and trucking liability insurance policies. In addition to his insurance coverage work, Jonathan’s extensive experience includes defending media liability, data privacy, and intellectual property litigation and E&O claims against insurance agents and brokers.

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As a former college athlete and coach, Judy Selby combined her legal and mental performance coaching expertise with her lifelong passion for sports and Blue-Collar Work EthicSM to help athletes maximize their opportunities on and off the field. She advises high school, college, and professional athletes on contract negotiations, brand deals, market positioning, cyber safety, LinkedIn for athletes, and career transitions – preparing for life beyond sports with strategic planning and skill development.

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Recreation Risk Retention Group is a Vermont domiciled risk retention group serving niche sports and recreation insurance needs, currently focused on the paragliding and hang-gliding free flight niche, as well as parasailing operations.

Tim graduated from Indiana University School of Liberal Arts with a BA in Political Science. He received the designation of Registered Professional Liability Underwriter from the Professional Liability Underwriting Society in 1998. Tim is a member of the Defense Research Institute, the International Association of Defense Counsel, and a former director and Board Chair of the National Risk Retention Association.

Tim has been a frequent speaker at insurance association events on a variety of topics relating to claim avoidance for insurance companies and insurance agents, D&O liability, and corporate management issues.