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Bill is the Chair of the IADC Toxic & Hazardous Substances Litigation Committee. A graduate of the Cornell College of Arts & Sciences and Cornell Law School, Bill brings more than 35 years of experience defending industrial companies and manufacturers nationally in toxic tort, environmental, product liability litigation and drug and medical device actions. During his career, he has litigated a large number of significant CERCLA cost-recovery and toxic tort cases across the United States. Bill is a frequent speaker on toxic tort, environmental and litigation management issues, and has been a guest lecturer on environmental issues at Syracuse Law School, New York Law School, Columbia and Cornell.

Bill has received an AV Preeminent Martindale-Hubbell peer review rating each year for the past 28 years. He received *The Best Lawyers in America* distinction in Mass Torts Litigation/Class Actions (New York 2017). He was earlier included among the American Lawyer and Martindale-Hubbell's 2013 Top Rated Lawyers for Energy, Environmental and Natural Resources Law. Avenue Magazine and Martindale-Hubbell has listed Bill among their "Legal Elite" of top New York City litigators.

Bill was recently appointed to Senator Chris Murphy's Economic Advisory Council for the Protection of Long Island Sound. He serves on the board of the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters Education Fund and sits on the board of the Westchester County Chapter of the New York League of Conservation Voters, a group that he has worked with for over twenty years. He is also a long-time certified mediator for the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and recently completed a three-year term as a member of the SDNY's Mediation Advisory Committee, where he served as the Chair of the Committee's Diversity Sub-committee. Bill is admitted to practice in New York, Connecticut and Washington, D.C.