

Commercial Litigation

Clark Hill attorneys have the resources necessary to exceed clients' expectations in all types of commercial litigation. From simple collection cases to complex construction and securities actions, our litigators have the experience to achieve favorable outcomes for our clients. Our litigators are also able to draw upon the considerable expertise of members of the firm's other practice groups to solve highly technical and specialized legal issues that arise in our continuously evolving business world. Also, we regularly engage in all forms of alternative dispute resolution, both as advocates for clients and as arbitrators and mediators.

Our litigation practice is the firm's largest practice group, and serves as counsel to numerous national and local businesses, individuals, and governmental agencies, in federal, state, and local courts, and before administrative agencies. Our litigation attorneys recognize the need to keep clients regularly apprised of litigation expenses, and we work with our clients to project and budget litigation fees and costs. Our Litigation practice group regularly engages in continuing education and training of its members and utilizes a wide range of ancillary resources, including advanced systems for document compilation and retrieval, electronic database research, and other litigation-related technology.

Specific areas in which our attorneys have experience include:

Securities

Our attorneys have handled securities-related lawsuits, both individual and class action, involving publicly traded as well as closely held corporations, together with a variety of real estate, oil and gas, coal mining and leasing syndication matters. Our clients have included investors, issuers, corporate officers and directors, national accounting firms, securities brokerage firms, national construction firms, and financial institutions. These cases have involved claims arising under the federal securities laws, RICO, state security statutes, and common law. Our attorneys have also served as NASD arbitrators.

Uniform Commercial Code

Cases arising under the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) make up another large segment of our commercial litigation practice. Our UCC litigation experience includes cases involving sales contracts, commercial paper and negotiable instruments, and secured transactions.

Business Torts

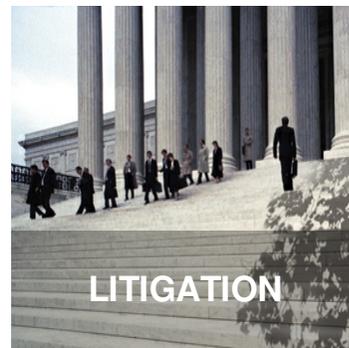
We have represented clients in a variety of trademark infringement, antitrust, trade secret, unfair competition, and related "business tort" lawsuits. We can quickly "gear up" to obtain or defend against preliminary injunctions and to handle the accelerated proceedings that these cases often require. Our sophisticated litigation support capability is a valuable asset in these situations.

Contract Litigation

Our attorneys handle all manner of contract-related claims, including sales contracts, professional services agreements, warranty claims and economic losses, manufacturer's representative matters, insurance coverage disputes, licensing matters, and real estate actions. We have also litigated government contract claims in the United States Court of Claims and before federal agency boards of contract appeals. We vigorously pursue collection cases, proceedings to recover leased property and loan collateral, and actions to enforce judgments.

Professional Liability

We have established a national reputation in the areas of professional and director and officer liability, having successfully represented governmental entities, national law firms, and national accounting firms.



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Litigation Areas of Practice

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Antitrust and Trade Regulation
Appellate
Asbestos
Business Litigation
Class Action Litigation
Insurance Defense
Insurance Litigation & Arbitration
Mass Tort Litigation
Product Liability
Securities Litigation
Toxic Torts and Hazardous Substance Litigation
Trust and Estate Controversy
Warranty