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Location

White Plains, New York

Practice Areas

- [Appellate Advocacy](#)
- [Construction Law](#)
- [General Litigation](#)
- [Insurance Solutions](#)
- [Municipal & Government](#)
- [Product Liability, Fire & Life Sciences](#)
- [Retail, Food, Beverage & Hospitality](#)
- [Risk Reduction & Loss Avoidance](#)
- [Transportation](#)

Admissions

New York, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York, U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit



Biography

For over 35 years, Tom has consistently delivered results and value to his clients. Tom has a wealth of experience in all types of civil matters, including construction/labor law, construction defects, complex litigation, coverage matters, municipal liability, automobile, dram shop, and premises liability.

Tom is a seasoned negotiator who has successfully mediated and settled hundreds of cases, both coverage and defense for his clients over his 35 year career in insurance defense. He has represented scores of insurance companies, self insurance and third-party administrators, successfully defending them in federal and state actions. Tom has also successfully handled appeals for clients and has lectured self-insureds and insurance companies on a variety of topics, including the Finger Lakes Insurance Council.

Tom has always provided himself on giving clients an aggressive defense and making plaintiffs prove their claims. He has consistently delivered results and value to his long standing clients.

Tom served as Town Attorney for the Town of Pelham and as a Hearing Officer for the Westchester County Department of Health. Tom represented the County of Westchester in municipal liability matters and aggressively defended the County to save taxpayer costs on frivolous claims. He has also served as an Assistant District Attorney for Westchester County where he tried cases involving violent crime, organized crime and trade secrets.

Tom graduated from St. John's University School of Law where he was on the Moot Court Executive Board and won several competitions for appellate advocacy. He has a MBA from St. John's University and an AB from Colgate University.

In addition to law, Tom is passionate about music and drumming and has played drums since he was a child. Tom has played all kinds of music, enjoys jazz and rock, and is most at home performing live ([click here to view on LinkedIn](#)) Tom enjoys spending time with his family, traveling, gardening, golfing, and making homemade wine.

Education

- St. John's University School of Law, J.D., 1982
- St. John's University, M.B.A., 1979
- Colgate University, A.B., 1977



Honors

- New York Metro Super Lawyers, 2023-2026
- Names in Who's Who in American Law
- Names in Lawyers of Distinction, Insurance Law
- Colgate University Maroon Citation Recipient

Languages

- Italian

Professional Leadership

- Member, Council on Litigation Management (CLM)
- Past Board Member, Pelham Art Center
- Past Board Member, Colgate University Alumni Council

Community

- Past Coach, Soccer and Baseball Pelham Recreation Department

Presentations

- Tom created and moderated the St.John's Greenberg School of Risk Management Conference Webinar Series. Topics included *Risk Management Solutions; Settling Cases During and After the Pandemic; Will Progressive Legislation and Judicial Decisions Ruin New York;*