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Industries

Manufacturing

Industrials

Life Sciences

Mobility

Practice Areas

Product, Tort & Insurance Litigation

Bar Memberships

New York

New Jersey

Rhode Island

Ethan's practice concentrates in the defense of mass tort and individual product liability cases involving pharmaceutical products, medical devices, and toxic substances. His experience includes cases involving prescription drugs (including gastrointestinal motility medication, acne medication, hormone replacement products, bisphosphonates, and anti-psychotics) and medical devices such as laparoscopic and endoscopic surgical equipment, hip and knee replacement devices, trocars, and medical sterilizing solutions. He has also handled toxic tort cases, defending against claims of exposure to benzene, silica, and asbestos (for both "traditional asbestos" products and talcum powder products).

Ethan has participated in a national counsel capacity in representing the manufacturer of asbestos–containing friction products, where he coordinated the client's nationwide discovery efforts, and served as the liaison for dozens of local counsel throughout the United States. He has also litigated individual asbestos cases in New Jersey and New York for worksite premises owners, consumer-product retailers, and manufacturers of asbestos containing friction products, valves, pumps, and protective clothing. Many of these matters involved wrongful death claims with significant medical and scientific issues relating to pulmonology, epidemiology, pathology, and industrial hygiene. Ethan also had the benefit of working in-house on a temporary basis at a major client of the firm, where he was involved with such matters as drafting commercial agreements and product warranties, handling product-related claims, and working with the company's outside counsel on employment, workers' compensation, environmental, and intellectual property matters.

Ethan joined the firm in 2004, after spending over eight years litigating products liability matters at Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP and its predecessor firm, Shanley & Fisher.

Other Info About Ethan

Experience

Representative Cases

Housley v. Wave Energy Systems, Inc., et al., 343 N.J. Super. 574 (App. Div. 2001) (Appellate Court affirms grant of summary judgment in favor of manufacturer of medical sterilizing solution, based on principles of federal preemption, where product was subject to overlapping regulatory jurisdiction between FDA and EPA).

Education

Fordham University School of Law, J.D.

- Managing Editor, *Fordham Intellectual Property, Media & Entertainment Law Journal*

Princeton University, A.B.

- Senior Class President

Courts

United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York,

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Recognition

Included on the *New York Metro Super Lawyers* list, Personal Injury – Products: Defense

Professional Affiliations

American Bar Association

New Jersey State Bar Association

International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC), a Vice Chair of the Products Committee

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