

## Insurance Law

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Plunkett Cooney has long been recognized as having one of the premier Insurance Law Practice Groups in the nation. This group's history of insurance consulting and representation of insurance carriers in coverage disputes, litigation, and regulatory proceedings is second to none.

Plunkett Cooney's Insurance Law Practice Group is unique in its depth and breadth of experience. The group is comprised of attorneys who specialize in defined aspects of insurance coverage law, and who have achieved national reputations for themselves in those areas. Many of these attorneys have been awarded the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) or other insurance industry designations, and are frequent lecturers on insurance law-related topics.

Plunkett Cooney's Insurance Law Practice Group includes attorneys that specialize in coverage matters arising from:

- Construction-related claims, including claims for contractual indemnification and claims by additional insureds
- Large scale, high exposure toxic tort coverage claims, including environmental and asbestos claims; these claims typically involve multi-state claims requiring extensive choice of law and multi-state coverage analysis
- Personal injury and advertising injury claims, including claims for trademark and copyright infringement, and infringement of trade dress
- Professional liability claims, including errors & omissions claims against real estate agents, insurance agents, attorneys, physicians, and directors and officers
- First party property coverage claims
- Auto PIP claims

The following is an overview of some of the many insurance coverage-related matters in which Plunkett Cooney's Insurance Law Practice Group is typically involved:

### Insurance Claim Consulting

Plunkett Cooney's Insurance Law Practice Group is frequently retained to consult with insurance carriers at the pre-suit claim stage to provide legal advice with respect to the existence of insurance coverage for a given claim and to make recommendations regarding claim handling. This work often involves the drafting of extensive insurance coverage opinions and coverage position letters on behalf of carrier clients.

## **Insurance Coverage Litigation**

Practice group members are actively involved in the representation of insurance carriers in insurance coverage litigation nationwide. The firm's attorneys are currently or have previously represented insurers in coverage litigation in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, West Virginia, New York, Kentucky, Texas, and Mississippi, among other states.

The Insurance Law Practice Group aggressively represents its carrier clients in litigation, seeking the most favorable and efficient results possible. Members of this group have served as lead counsel for insurance carriers in nationwide breast implant, environmental, asbestos, construction, and pharmaceutical coverage cases. The group is also involved in emerging insurance issues, such as coverage for tobacco liability.

## **Reviewing and Editing Insurance Policy Language**

Plunkett Cooney's Insurance Law Practice Group is often retained to review insurance policy language and to assist in the drafting and/or revision of policy language, as well as to consult with underwriters regarding the use of such policy language.