

PRODUCT LIABILITY & COMPLEX TORT

Hodgson Russ's Product Liability & Complex Tort practice knows how to best protect your business in the face of tort litigation that can threaten your company's operations, product development, and reputation. With over two centuries of experience, we will partner with you to devise the best strategy to manage and resolve these lawsuits, and to prevent similar ones in the future.

Our team prides itself on its client-centered approach and understanding of your overall business goals. This perspective enables us to effectively defend you and to minimize long-term risk for your business in the future. To that end, our lawyers are active in civil justice reform; we are members of relevant trade associations and defense organizations; we visit our clients' facilities to better learn their operations; and we remain current on industry trends and developments materially affecting our clients' businesses. In the event of a claim or lawsuit, we will conduct comprehensive investigations and consult with highly-qualified experts to develop successful litigation strategies and solutions.

Hodgson Russ works to protect your interests inside and outside the courtroom. Beyond litigation matters, our lawyers also advise and guide clients in the development of product warnings, owners' manuals, contract documents, and other risk mitigation policies

and procedures. We counsel clients on their compliance obligations under federal regulations and state statutes, including the labeling and warning requirements of California's Proposition 65. We also have extensive experience helping our clients facilitate product recalls before government agencies, including the Consumer Product Safety Commission, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and Food and Drug Administration.

EXPERIENCE

Our team successfully defends and resolves claims involving catastrophic personal injury, property damage, and wrongful death. We handle claims through every phase of litigation—including motions to dismiss, depositions, summary judgment, bench and jury trials, appeals, and settlement—in both Federal and State courts across the U.S.

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We represent clients across a wide range of industries, including suppliers, distributors, and Fortune 100 manufacturers. We specialize in high-exposure, “bet the company” litigation. We are well versed in all types of litigation, from single lawsuits to mass/class actions to multi-district litigation. Our lawyers are repeatedly recognized by Best Lawyers and Super Lawyers. And Hodgson Russ itself has been awarded a prestigious “Best Law Firms” Metropolitan Tier 1 ranking by Best Lawyers/U.S. News & World Report in the following categories: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants and Product Liability Litigation – Defendants.

We have successfully handled a number of product liability and complex tort matters involving:

- Agricultural Equipment
- Appliances
- Asbestos Containing Products
- ATVs/Recreational Vehicles
- Automobiles
- Aviation
- Chemicals
- Child Abuse
- Construction Defects
- Construction Equipment
- Cranes & Aerial Devices
- Diet Supplements
- Dram Shop Act
- Electrical Equipment & Generators
- Electrocutions
- False Arrest/Malicious Prosecution
- Firefighting Foam
- Fires/Explosions
- Food Products
- Forklifts
- Industrial Equipment
- Lawn & Landscape Products
- Lead Paint
- Liquid Nitrogen
- Material Handling Equipment
- Medical Devices & Equipment
- Motorcycles
- Negligent Security
- N.Y. Labor Law
- Pharmaceuticals
- Power Tools
- Pressure Gauges & Vessels
- Railroad Equipment
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- Tractors
- Trucks & Trailers

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