

Dan E. West



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education

Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert
Law Center (J.D., 1974)

- Honors Program

University of Virginia (B.S., 1971)

- Phi Delta Phi

admissions

Louisiana

U.S. Supreme Court

industries

Chemical, Energy, and Industrial Services

Insurance

Manufacturing

services

Appellate

Asbestos and Toxic Torts

Commercial Litigation

Environmental

Insurance Defense and Coverage

I firmly believe that no two clients, or their legal issues, are identical. For that reason, I take time to talk with my clients, and give an honest evaluation of where their situation stands. We work together to explore possible solutions, and potential outcomes, then move forward with the most practical and economically beneficial course of action.

Dan E. West is an experienced trial and appellate attorney, having practiced law for more than 35 years. He has vast experience in the interpretation of insurance policies including coverage disputes arising from Director and Officer policies, and Errors and Omissions and General Liability policies. He also is engaged in class action litigation involving toxic and environmental claims. He has acted as appellate and coverage counsel for a national insurer and has appeared before the Louisiana Supreme Court and most Circuit Courts of the State of Louisiana.

From 2010-2018, while maintaining his active practice as a trial attorney, Dan served as McGlinchey Stafford's general counsel. In this role, he implemented policies and procedures to address firm risks and conflicts across the firm's nationwide network of offices. Dan worked closely

Products Liability

honors

- *Martindale-Hubbell*™ AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated Lawyer
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® (Commercial Litigation, Insurance Law, Litigation - Environmental), 2007–2020
- Baton Rouge Insurance Law "Lawyer of the Year," *Best Lawyers in America*®, 2017
- *Louisiana Super Lawyers* (Personal Injury - Products: Defense; Insurance Coverage), 2013–2016

affiliations

Professional

- American Bar Association
- Baton Rouge Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute
- Federal Circuit Bar Association, President of the Baton Rouge chapter, 1980-1981
- Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel
- National Health Lawyers Association

with firm management and the Managing Member on issues relating to risk management, conflicts, due diligence, and the client intake process. Dan oversaw firm contracts, general liability issues, advised firm management, represented the firm in disputes, and provided ethics opinions and counsel for professional liability issues. He also trained the firm's attorneys and staff to proactively identify and prevent these issues throughout the course of their work.