



Mass Torts: What's Hot and What's Not in 2020
Thursday, January 16, 2020 · 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
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- 4:00 p.m. – 4:05 p.m. **Welcome from PAJ Women Trial Lawyers Section Co-Chairs**
(Melanie J. Garner, Esq. & Carin A. O'Donnell, Esq.)
- Moderator & Faculty Introductions Throughout**
(Carin A. O'Donnell, Esq.)
- 4:05 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Mass Torts - Brief History & Overview**
(Melanie J. Garner, Esq.)
- 4:15 p.m. – 4:25 p.m. **Mass Torts Litigation Roundup: Headlines and Highlights from 2019**
(Kila B. Baldwin, Esq.)
- Looking Ahead: What's Going to Be Hot in 2020**
(Faculty & Topics Listed Below)
- 4:25 p.m. – 4:35 p.m. **3M Military Earplugs**
(Tracy A. Finken, Esq.)
- 4:35 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. **Breast Implants**
(Dena R. Young, Esq.)
- 4:45 p.m. – 4:55 p.m. **Juul / Vaping**
(Domenic B. Sanginiti, Jr., Esq.)
- 4:55 p.m. – 5:05 p.m. **Roundup**
(Kila B. Baldwin, Esq.)
- 5:05 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **Talc – Ovarian Cancer & Asbestos Mesothelioma Cases**
(Elizabeth A. Chiappetta, Esq. and Dena R. Young, Esq.)
- 5:15 p.m. – 5:25 p.m. **Truvada**
(Elizabeth A. Chiappetta, Esq.)
- 5:25 p.m. – 5:35 p.m. **Zantac**
(Tracy A. Finken, Esq.)
- 5:35 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. **What Else to Expect in the Mass Torts World 2020 and Beyond?**
(Entire Panel)
- 5:45 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. **Question & Answer**
(Entire Panel)
- 5:55 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Conclusion**
(Melanie J. Garner, Esq.)

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FACULTY BIOGRAPHIES



Kila B. Baldwin, Esq.
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Kila B. Baldwin, a partner at Kline & Specter, was selected a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer for 2019. From 2011-2018 she was named a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer — Rising Star and for 2014-2019 as a New Jersey Super Lawyer -- Rising Star, designating her as among the top 2.5 percent of attorneys in the two states who are 40 or younger. She also was selected for the 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 editions of the peer-review publication Best Lawyers in America.

In her latest case, in May 2019, Baldwin was co-counsel in a six-week trial that resulted in an \$80 million jury verdict against Johnson & Johnson subsidiary Ethicon Inc. for a Media, Pa., woman injured by a surgically implanted vaginal mesh device. The verdict in Philadelphia Common Pleas Court included \$50 million in punitive and \$30 million in compensatory damages, making it the country's largest compensatory award to date in a vaginal mesh case.

A few months earlier, Baldwin won a \$41 million verdict -- including \$25 million in punitive damages – against a J&J for a Lancaster, Pa., woman who suffered permanent injuries from a vaginal mesh device designed and marketed by a company subsidiary.

In late 2017, Baldwin won a major jury verdict against J&J for a Pennsylvania woman injured by a vaginal mesh device made by the company's Ethicon Inc. subsidiary. The award included \$7.1 million in compensatory and \$50 million in punitive damages for the behemoth drug and device maker's reckless behavior in selling the defective product implanted in women across the country. The verdict was featured on the BBC program Panorama. In earlier cases, Baldwin was co-counsel in two trials that resulted in verdicts of \$12.5 million and \$13.5 million for two other women injured by the surgically implanted vaginal mesh products.

Earlier, Baldwin was co-counsel in litigation that produced a \$15 million settlement in a birth injury medical malpractice case against a northern New Jersey hospital, a labor and delivery nurse and an obstetrician. Before that, she was co-counsel with Shanin Specter in a case that produced the largest-ever personal injury verdict in Pennsylvania. In December 2012, a jury in Allegheny County, following a five-week trial, awarded \$109 million to the family of a woman who was killed when a West Penn Power electric line fell on her in her own yard. The case later settled for \$105 million.

Kila Baldwin discusses power line failures on WTAE-TV

Baldwin also was co-counsel with Specter in the wrongful death case of Joseph Blumer, 43, a tow truck driver who was killed when the parking brake on his Ford F-350 tow truck spontaneously disengaged and he was crushed beneath the vehicle. An Allegheny County jury awarded his family \$8.75 million. That case and Baldwin's critical role is chronicled in the book *Bad Brake*.

She previously helped litigate the Bridgeport fire case, which concluded in a preliminarily approved settlement of \$35 million in April 2008. The settlement benefited more than 100 businesses and individuals which suffered losses in the fire that destroyed the Continental Business Center in Bridgeport, Pa. in 2001.

Prior to joining Kline & Specter, she worked at the Philadelphia office of Reed Smith, an international law firm with more than 1,300 lawyers in 21 cities, where she handled pharmaceutical litigation on behalf of a major corporate client. At the SEC, where Baldwin was assigned to the Division of Enforcement as part of a summer honors program while studying

law, she worked with government agency enforcement attorneys investigating, among other things, the role of investment advisers in fraudulent schemes. During law school she also worked with the Philadelphia district attorney's office, where she handled preliminary felony hearings and misdemeanor trials in municipal court.

Baldwin earned a dual J.D./M.B.A. from the Temple University Beasley School of Law, where she was awarded the Beasley Scholarship and two awards for Outstanding Oral Advocacy. While at Temple she studied international law in Rome and was a member of the International Law Society and the Woman's Law Caucus. Later, while a practicing attorney, she again attended Temple and graduated in 2010 from the LL.M. Program in Trial Advocacy, where she subsequently was appointed as an adjunct lecturer. Baldwin earned her bachelor's degree in economics from Pennsylvania State University, where she graduated Phi Beta Kappa and was a member of the Schreyer Honors College.

Baldwin was recently elected vice-president of the Pennsylvania Association for Justice, previously having served as parliamentarian, secretary and treasurer of the 18,000-member organization. She is a board member with the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association and is on the board of the Attorneys Information Exchange Group, a national litigation group for attorneys handling vehicle defect and transportation-related accident cases.

Baldwin is past president of the board of directors of The Women's Therapy Center, a Philadelphia non-profit organization that helps provide mental health care to low-income patients. Baldwin, who speaks Italian and Spanish, previously worked as a volunteer in Philadelphia tutoring English as a second language through the Mayor's Commission on Literacy.

She is licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.



Elizabeth A. Chiappetta, Esq.
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Elizabeth is a Principal Attorney at the Pittsburgh firm Robert Peirce & Associates, P.C. Ms. Chiappetta focuses her practice on Nursing Home Negligence, Medical Malpractice, General Healthcare Liability, Personal Injury, FELA and mass tort pharmaceutical cases.

She is licensed to practice in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and is admitted to practice in various federal and state courts throughout the country.

She is a past President of The Western Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, and is currently Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Association for Justice.

Ms. Chiappetta is also a member of the Allegheny County Bar Association, the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and she and her firm are members of the American Association of Justice Leaders Forum.

She has been an invited speaker throughout Pennsylvania, and heads her firm's Pro Bono Program, working on elder law and elder abuse issues in Allegheny County.

She earned her BA from Boston College, *cum laude*, and her JD from Duquesne University School of Law. Ms. Chiappetta and her husband, who is also an attorney, live in the South Hills of Pittsburgh with their sons, Beau and Matthew.



Tracy A. Finken Magnotta, Esq.
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Tracy Finken Magnotta is a Shareholder at the law firm of Anapol Weiss. For the past 21 years, her practice has been concentrated in the field of pharmaceutical and products liability, class actions and other complex civil litigation. She has been extensively involved in leadership roles in state and federal court in a variety of consolidated mass tort and multi-district litigations. Currently, she actively serves on the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee for In Re Proton Pump Inhibitor Litigation MDL No. 2789 in the United States District Court of New Jersey. In this capacity, she is in a leadership role representing thousands of individuals who have suffered kidney injuries allegedly from their use of Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPI's) such as Nexium, Prilosec, Prevacid, and Dexilant. Additionally, Tracy zealously represents children who have suffered birth defects as a result of maternal use of Zofran during pregnancy as well as representing a multitude of young people nationwide who have suffered vaping induced lung injuries. She is passionate about putting an end to the Vaping Epidemic that is currently plaguing youth across the country.

Throughout her professional career, Tracy has been recognized annually for her outstanding legal work. Beginning in 2002, she was named as one of the very first "40 on the Fast Track" by the Legal Intelligencer, a listing of the top 40 attorneys under the age of 40 in Pennsylvania. From 2005 through 2012, Tracy was named a Pennsylvania Rising Star, which recognizes the top 2.5% of attorneys 40 years of age or younger. From 2013 through 2019, she was named a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer. Tracy was also recognized as one of the Best Lawyers in America in the field of Plaintiffs' Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions from 2016 through 2019. This is the oldest and most respected peer reviewed publication in the legal profession. Selection is based upon a rigorous peer-review survey completed by tens of thousands of leading attorneys.

Tracy has been interviewed by both TV and print media regarding pharmaceutical liability issues as well as other legal matters. She has also lectured about pharmaceutical liability and civil litigation matters on behalf of professional organizations nationwide. Her articles have been published relating to a wide range of legal issues.

In 1993, Tracy received her bachelor's degree from Bloomsburg University. She earned her law degree, *cum laude*, from Widener University School of Law in 1998. During law school, she was a member of the Moot Court and Trial Advocacy honor societies and was honored with the Most Promising Civil Litigator Award as well as the Outstanding Student Service Award.

Ms. Finken Magnotta is a member of the National Order of Barristers, the Philadelphia and Pennsylvania Bar Association, the Pennsylvania Association for Justice and the American Association for Justice. She also serves as an arbitrator for the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas Arbitration Program.

She is licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. She is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and New Jersey state courts, as well as federal courts in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the District Court of New Jersey, and the Southern District of Illinois.



Melanie J. Garner, Esq.
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Melanie J. Garner has represented individual plaintiffs and their family members for over a decade helping them to recover millions of dollars in mass tort and personal injury cases. Presently, Ms. Garner primarily focusses on representing former professional and college football players in cases involving the development of latent brain disease and the long-term debilitating effects of repetitive blows to the head from playing football, as well as victims of asbestos exposure.

After graduating from the University of Miami School of Law, Ms. Garner served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Ronald B. Graves in the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey. She then worked as a defense attorney for two years before joining the Baltimore office of a national plaintiff's asbestos litigation firm in 2008, where she represented mesothelioma victims across the country, as well as *qui tam* whistleblowers in cases brought on behalf of the federal government to recover taxpayer funds lost due to fraud.

Prior to founding Langfitt Garner PLLC in 2019, Ms. Garner worked as an attorney for a plaintiff's firm in Philadelphia, where she continued to represent asbestos victims, *qui tam* whistleblowers, and individual plaintiffs in a variety of mass torts, products liability, and personal injury cases.

Ms. Garner is admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, as well as the United States District Courts for the District of Maryland, District of New Jersey and Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Ms. Garner has lectured at continuing legal education seminars on topics including asbestos, *qui tam* litigation, and the use of social media evidence.

She was nominated and selected by her peers as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyers Rising Star in 2018 and 2019.

Outside of the office, Ms. Garner is actively involved in the Pennsylvania Association for Justice, serving on its Board of Governors and as Co-Chair for the Women Trial Lawyers Section. She is passionate about education, gender equality, and civil rights, and enjoys traveling and exploring Center City with her husband, daughter, and dog.



Carin A. O'Donnell, Esq.
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Carin A. O'Donnell is a Shareholder and member of Stark & Stark's Accident & Personal Injury and Construction Injury Groups where she concentrates her practice in wrongful death and catastrophic injury litigation. Ms. O'Donnell is a trial attorney who has successfully litigated personal injury matters resulting in multiple verdicts exceeding a million dollars. Her extensive trial experience has helped her win cases for plaintiffs in counties that typically favor defense verdicts. As a result, her cases have been featured in local papers, radio shows and legal publications.

Ms. O'Donnell lectures nationally to colleagues on topics regarding trial techniques, personal injury law and litigation in

conjunction with the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and the Pennsylvania Association of Justice and New Jersey Association for Justice. She has also been an instructor in Civil Practice and Procedure at Manor Junior College in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania, where she educated students in the area of civil law and procedure, and organized and presented mock trials for her students.

Ms. O'Donnell has been elected to the Board of Directors for the Pennsylvania Association of Justice. She has been appointed to the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to serve as a Hearing Committee Member in the District II Disciplinary District. She was selected to the Emerge Pennsylvania Cohort, a professional development program for emerging women leaders.

Ms. O'Donnell has obtained an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 10-hour outreach training certificate for the construction industry.

She is a member of EndDistractiveDriving.org in conjunction with the American Association for Justice, frequently lecturing to students and organizations about putting an end to distracted driving amongst high school students. She is also a frequent contributor to the Pennsylvania Law Monitor.

Thought Leadership

Co-Author, *Protect Your Rights if Injured While Slipping or Falling on a Commercial Property*. Times Publishing. December 3, 2019.

Speaker, *Podcast Legal Matters Show*. WURD Radio. August 11, 2019.

Speaker, *An Hour w/Jeff Gross (Gross-Kenny) and Carin O'Donnell (Stark and Stark)*. Talk-Radio-Philly/PhillyLabor : WWDB 860AM. August 6, 2019.

Co-Author, *Full Compensation For Personal Injuries – Anything Less Is Unjust*. Times Publishing. June 25, 2019.

Featured, *Stark & Stark Obtains \$8 Million Settlement for Injured Philadelphia Construction Worker*. December 21, 2018. Listed in various publications, including: MarketWatch; Yahoo! Finance; Philadelphia Business Journal.; Philadelphia City Room; Warren & Hunterdon County City Room; Pittsburgh Business Times; Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; WFMZ-TV Allentown; Bucks County City Room; Erie News Now; St. Mary's PA Daily Press; Ridgway PA Record; The Punxsutawney PA Spirit; Kane PA Republican; ManhattanWeek; TheStreet; 1stCounsel.; Access News; San Francisco Business Times; Dallas Business Journal; Boston Business Journal; Buffalo Business First; Nashville Business Journal. ; Baltimore Business Journal; L.A. Biz; Boston Herald; Albany Business Review; and Fox 40 Binghamton, NY.

- Quoted, *College Athlete's Injury Suit Belongs in State Court: Judge*. Law360. May 18, 2018.
- Quoted, *Victims' Families React to Cosmo DiNardo's Plea, Sean Kratz's Rejection of Plea Deal*. 6ABC News Philadelphia. May 17, 2018.
- Author, *Pa. College Wants Ex-Baseball Player's Injury Suit Rejected*. Law 360. May 8, 2018.
- Quoted, *New Round of Lawsuits Blames DiNardo Businesses in Killings*. Bucks County Courier Times. March 5, 2018.
- Quoted, *Families Sue Accused Bucks County Killer's Parents for Giving Cosmo DiNardo 'Playland of Illegal Acts.'* NBC 10 Philadelphia. March 5, 2018.
- Quoted, *Murder Victims' Families Sue Cosmo DiNardo's Parents, Saying They Gave Him a 'Playland for Illegal Acts.'* The Inquirer. March 5, 2018.
- Interviewed. *PhillyLabor's Talk radio show "The Pain and Wellness Hour"* on WWDB 860 AM. May 16, 2017.
- Speaker, *How to Conduct an Effective Direct and Cross Examination*. Pennsylvania Bar Institute. April 2017.
- Author, *Understanding Wrongful Death Claims And Survival Actions After Loss Of A Loved One*. Doylestown Observer. February 28, 2017.
- Featured, *Appointed/Elected: Carin A. O'Donnell Appointed to the Board of the Pennsylvania Association for Justice*.

The Pennsylvania Lawyer. January/February 2016.

- Author, *NCAA, College At Fault For Foul Ball Injury, Ex-Player Says*. Law 360. February 15, 2018.
- Speaker, *Using OSHA to Win Your Court Case*. NJAJ. February 25, 2017.
- Speaker, *Theater in Trial*. PBI. 2017.
- Speaker, *How to Become a Partner*. NJAJ. 2017.
- Speaker, *Negligence in Nursing Homes*. Bucks County Business Connections. 2017.
- Speaker, *Reptile in Practice*. Pennsylvania Association for Justice. June 10, 2016.
- Speaker, *Trial Tactics*. Western Pennsylvania Association for Justice. February 25, 2016.
- Featured, *Appointed/Elected*. The Pennsylvania Lawyer. January-February 2016 issue.
- Presenter, *Practical Approach to Presenting Damages*. DRI. November 2015.
- Co-Author, *Understanding Auto Insurance*. Times Publishing. June 23, 2015.
- Author, *Trademark Tacking and the Landscape of Priority Disputes*. The Legal Intelligencer. April 14, 2015.
- Panelist, *Success Stories*. Manor Junior College. April 2015.
- Speaker, *Depositions*. The Keenan College. Atlanta Georgia. April 2015.
- Author, *1.9 Million Netted in Fatal Worker Accident*. New Jersey Law Journal. October 2014.
- Speaker, *Reptile Superstar Seminar*. Atlanta Georgia. March 2014.
- Author, *Notable Case Outcomes from Coast to Coast*. Trial Magazine. January 2014.
- Author, *Set Up for Success*. Manor Junior College Alumni Magazine.
- Featured, *Reptile Autopsy: Reptile Superstar Carin O'Donnell*. Keenan Trial Blog. October 2013.
- Author, *1.4 Million Dollar Verdict for Dram Shop Action*. Bucks County Courier Times. March 2013.
- Presenter, *Distracted Driving Presentation*. Bensalem High School. January 2013.
- Featured, *Top PA Verdicts of 2013*. The Legal Intelligencer. (For achieving a \$1.4 million verdict in Bucks County).
- Featured, *Superior Court Decision in Construction Case Litigated by Ms. O'Donnell*. Pennsylvania Law Weekly. 2012.
- Featured, *Hefty Award in Nockamixon Slip & Fall Trial*. The Intelligencer. June 2012.
- Presenter, *Distracted Driving Presentation*. Palisades High School. May 2012.
- Presenter, *Distracted Driving Presentation*. Neshaminy High School. April 2012.
- Featured, *\$1.5 Million Verdict Upheld in Construction Accident*. Bucks County Courier Times. April 2012.
- Presenter, *Killer Depositions*. Pennsylvania Bar Institute. April 2011.
- Presenter, *Coordinating the Motor Vehicle and Workers' Compensation Settlements*. PA Bar Institute. February 2011.
- Featured, *\$1.5 Million Verdict – Contractor Failed to Maintain Hole*. Verdict Search Magazine. February 2010.
- Featured, *Pennsylvania Jury Verdict Review & Analysis for 1.5 Million Dollar Verdict*. January 2010.
- Presenter, *Litigating Construction Cases in Bucks County*. PA Bar Institute. January 2010.
- Featured, *Ironworker Fell Down Two Flights While Installing Skylight*.

- Verdict Search Magazine. February 2009.
- Presenter, *Practical Pretrial Procedures*. PA Bar Institute Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. October 2008.

Honors & Awards

Bucks Happening List issued by Happenings Media, 2019; *Attorney Category Winner*.

Who's Who In Injury and Injured Workers Advocacy List issued by Philly Labor.

Bucks Happening List issued by Happenings Media, 2016; *Attorney Category Winner*.

Pennsylvania Super Lawyers List issued by Thomson Reuters, 2015 – 2017; *Personal Injury – General: Plaintiff, Workers' Compensation*.



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Domenic B. Sanginiti, Jr., Esq., is a Shareholder of Stark and Stark, P.C. Mr. Sanginiti focuses his practice on the hazards and defects of lithium ion batteries, e-cigarettes, and other vaping products. Mr. Sanginiti is currently leading the JUUL litigation at Stark & Stark.

Mr. Sanginiti graduated and obtained a Juris Doctor in 2007 from the Rutgers University, School of Law. He is admitted to practice in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, and the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Sanginiti has appeared in many other jurisdictions in a *pro hac vice* capacity and is a member of numerous bar associations.

Mr. Sanginiti is the Co-Founder and Co-Chair of the Electronic Cigarettes and JUUL Litigation Groups for the American Association of Justice, a national organization focused on professional support and a nationwide network that enables attorneys to most effectively and expertly represent clients. In this capacity, Mr. Sanginiti has been involved in the formation of litigation packets, which include draft complaints, examples for discovery, as well as transcripts and outlines for depositions, for each specialty to teach each topic to respective attorneys, including educating through various forms of media.

Mr. Sanginiti has also presented on various e-cigarette and JUUL related topics and was a presenter of a webinar title, AAJ Education's Rapid Response Webinar on "The emerging JUUL Litigation" on September 5, 2019. He also presented "JUUL, What Are We Talking About?" at the Annual Convention of American Association of Justice on July 30, 2019 and has also previously presented "E-cigarettes: An Exploding Issue" at the Annual Convention of American Association for Justice on July 23, 2017. He has been published by various publications including Law360 and NJ.com. He is currently scheduled to speak at Harris Martin's JUUL Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on October 18, 2019 and will be presenting at the New Jersey Law Center on December 5, 2019, on "Exploding Issue of E-cigarettes- the JUUL Litigation". Mr. Sanginiti was selected to speak at American Association for Justice's Winter Convention in February 2020 on JUUL litigation.

Mr. Sanginiti has extensive experience litigating at the trial level of the federal and state courts of New Jersey, as well as numerous other jurisdictions throughout the nation. His experience in litigation pertaining to deceptive, fraudulent, or illegal marketing or sales practices impacting public health and safety, as well as similar consumer protection litigation, dates back to 2008. At the time, Mr. Sanginiti actively defended claims filed under the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act. During

this time, Mr. Sanginiti was actively involved in representing various health insurance carriers filing fraud claims against doctors and medical practices for fraudulent billing practices. In most of these matters, the doctors and medical practices defrauded the State of New Jersey. At the time of filing each civil complaint on behalf of the respective health insurance carrier, Mr. Sanginiti was involved with reporting the respective defendants to the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey. Mr. Sanginiti also previously participated in a trial team representing a professional athlete in claims against a drug manufacturer for fraudulent and deceptive labeling practices which resulted in a suspension of the player from his sport.

Prior to joining Stark & Stark, Mr. Sanginiti, practiced personal injury for two South-Jersey law firms, where he defended casinos against personal injury claims, as well as defending health insurance carriers against claims for benefits under ERISA. He served as judicial law clerk to current Supreme Court Justice Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina, while he was presiding judge of the Civil Division of Camden County, New Jersey.

Thought Leadership

Presenter, *JUUL, What are we talking about?* AAJ 2019 Annual Convention. July 30, 2019.

Author, *The Link Between E-Cigarette Design and Explosions*. [Law360](#). January 3, 2018.

Presenter, *National Business Institute - Ultimate Guide to Expert Witnesses Seminar - Discovery of Expert Witnesses*. December 2017.

Presenter, *National Business Institute - Ultimate Guide to Expert Witnesses Seminar - Deposing the Opposing Expert*. December 2017.

Author, *Eerie Similarity Between E-Cigarette and 'Big Tobacco' Healthy Alternative Campaigns*. [NJ.com](#). August 22, 2017.

Quoted, *In-Flight E-Cigs Ruling Firms Up DOT Rulemaking Power*. [Law360](#). July 27, 2017.

Speaker, *E-Cigarettes: An Exploding Issue*. AAJ 2017 Annual Convention. July 23, 2017.

Author, *Study Links E-Cigarettes to DNA Damage*. [NJ.com](#). June 29, 2017.

Presenter, *Capturing the Unspoken Testimony*. NJAJ 2017 Annual Convention. April 28, 2017.

Quoted. *Lawyers See Dollar Signs in Exploding Vapes*. [Vice.com](#). March 14, 2017.

Author, *New FDA Rule Classifies and Regulates e-Cigarettes as "Tobacco" Products*. [The Sidebar](#) by New Lawyers Division, American Association for Justice. Winter 2017.

Author, *New FDA Rule Classifies and Regulates e-Cigarettes as "Tobacco" Products*. [Trial Talk](#) by the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association. December/ January 2017.



Dena R. Young, Esq.
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Dena Young is an attorney at Ross Feller Casey in Philadelphia. Her practice focuses on representing individuals who have been injured by dangerous drugs and medical devices, medical malpractice, and other catastrophic personal injuries. Currently, she is representing women diagnosed with BIA-ALCL from their use of textured breast implants, women diagnosed with ovarian cancer from their use of talcum powder, and people diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma from after exposure to Roundup.

After earning her J.D. from Drexel University's Earle Mack School of Law, Dena worked for personal injury law firms where she represented clients diagnosed with devastating asbestos-related diseases, including mesothelioma and lung cancer. Cases she handled resulted in millions of dollars in settlements for her clients. Dena also represented clients injured by drugs and medical devices including transvaginal mesh, Risperdal, Viagra, Zofran, and Xarelto.

Young is a class of 2010 representative of Drexel Law School's Alumni Council and a board member of The Kaiserman JCC. She is an active member of the American Association for Justice (AAJ), the Pennsylvania Association for Justice (PAJ) and of the Future Leaders Committee of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association (PTLA).

Dena has been invited to lecture and serve on panels regarding medical device cases for several organizations, including Mass Torts Made Perfect, HarrisMartin, New Jersey Association for Justice, and Pennsylvania Association for Justice. Dena has been selected as a Super Lawyers "Rising Star" from 2017-2020, an honor reserved for the best 2.5 percent of the state's attorneys under 40 years old.

Dena is admitted to the practice of law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.