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Mark Villanueva represents clients - ranging from individuals to small businesses to Fortune 10 companies - in a broad array of complex commercial litigation matters. Mark litigates in the trial and appellate levels of state and federal courts, as well as before arbitration tribunals. He has worked with companies in numerous industries, including pharmaceutical, insurance, banking, energy and health care. Mark has litigated complex insurance and reinsurance coverage actions, product liability claims, commercial contract disputes, intellectual property claims, and consumer class actions.

Mark has significant experience representing clients regarding insurance coverage issues, including claims related to directors and officers liability, professional liability, employment practices liability and mass torts. In addition, Mark represents and counsels insurers, cedents and reinsurers on reinsurance claims and coverage across multiple lines of business.

Prior to joining Stradley Ronon, Mark was a partner at another large mid-Atlantic law firm. He clerked for the Honorable Paul S. Diamond of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. While in law school, Mark served as an editor for The Catholic University Law Review.

Mark has been recognized as one of Pennsylvania's Rising Stars, and he was also recognized as one of Pennsylvania's Lawyers on the Fast Track, an award that honors the top lawyers in Pennsylvania who have made significant contributions to the legal community.

RESULTS

- represents a national pharmacy chain in defense of suits by local governments and third-party payors to recover costs alleged to have been caused by the shipment and dispensing of prescription opioids
- obtained complete dismissal of class action; *Knudsen, et al. v. Customers Bank, et al.*, Cause No. DV 16-977 (Mont. 2020)
- obtained complete defense verdict as first chair trial counsel in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania involving commercial claims by a national railway company; *Norfolk Southern Railway Company v. G.W.S.I., Inc.*, Civ. Action No. 16-2094

FOCUS

Insurance Coverage Advisory & Litigation
Complex Commercial & Class Action Litigation
Energy & Regulatory Litigation

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
New Jersey

COURTS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

EDUCATION

J.D., *magna cum laude*, The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law
B.A., Bucknell University

MEMBERSHIPS

Fellow, Academy of Advocacy of Temple University
Member, Moorestown Township Board of Education
Pennsylvania Bar Association
Philadelphia Bar Association
Stradley Ronon Diversity Committee
Stradley Ronon Hiring Committee



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- represented health insurers in insurance coverage litigation arising out of antitrust class action claims
- represented cedents in complex life, finite risk, and captive reinsurance disputes

RECOGNITIONS

- *The Legal Intelligencer*, Lawyers on the Fast Track
- *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*, Rising Star

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