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Jeff Lutsky serves as the firm's Co-Chairman and Managing Partner. In those roles, Jeff is responsible for articulating and implementing the strategic vision and direction of the firm, and oversees the firm's primary and regional offices, its practice groups and leads various firm initiatives in the areas of lateral partner recruitment, expansion of offices and practices, technology and diversity.

Jeff is also a well-known litigator, having tried to conclusion more than 75 trials and arbitrations. Jeff concentrates his practice on complex and often high-stakes litigation, and has been recognized by numerous leading trial organizations for his effective advocacy.

Jeff's litigation experience spans a wide range of complex commercial, civil and criminal cases. He routinely represents signature Stradley clients in merger and acquisition disputes; defense of federal securities claims; health care disputes; employment disputes; shareholder, partnership and derivative claims; class actions; and business torts. Jeff also frequently conducts confidential investigations for public companies, private companies and various non-profit institutions. He also regularly represents clients, especially those in regulated industries, who are targets, subjects or witnesses in federal or state grand jury proceedings.

RESULTS

- obtained complete dismissal with prejudice of a class action and derivative suit brought by a shareholder seeking to enjoin a \$244 million merger between two public company banks
- received a unanimous arbitration award for breach of contract in favor of a public company client in a complex merger & acquisition dispute, which resulted in rejection of a sellers' final purchase price calculation and savings of approximately \$25 million
- conducted numerous confidential investigations in diverse subject matters, including financial fraud, securities fraud, employment complaints, conflicts of interest, misuse of public funds and sexual abuse
- obtained a defense judgment for a public company defendant in a securities fraud 10b-5 trial

FOCUS

Complex Commercial & Class Action Litigation
White-Collar Defense, Internal Investigations & Corporate Compliance
Health Care Litigation
Securities Litigation & Enforcement

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
Massachusetts

COURTS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

EDUCATION

J.D., Villanova University School of Law
B.A., University of Massachusetts

MEMBERSHIPS

American Board of Trial Advocates
Business Litigation Committee, Philadelphia Bar Association
Board of Directors and Past Chairman, Greater Philadelphia YMCA
Chairman, Board of Trustees of the University of the Arts
Fellow, American Bar Foundation
Senior Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America Trial Lawyer Honorary Society
The Historical Societies of the U.S.
District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and for the Federal Circuit
Leadership Council on Legal Diversity
National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers



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- obtained an \$8 million jury verdict, following a five-week federal court trial, for a local health care distributor of high-tech medical equipment against a Fortune 500 company for breach of contract, interference with contractual relations and punitive damages
- obtained a \$6.6 million arbitration award for a national engineering firm against the City of Scranton and a neighboring borough, arising out of a termination of a privatization agreement for sewer and water services
- obtained a complete defense award, including reimbursement of all attorneys' fees and costs, for a selling shareholder wrongfully accused of fraud and breach of contract in connection with the sale of an electrical contracting company in New York City
- successfully handled several significant and widely publicized Orphans' Court trials, hearings and appeals for a charitable trust regarding the finances, administration and operation of The Barnes Foundation
- procured an award of more than \$5 million in favor of two health system clients in a joint venture dispute with another health system
- obtained an award of \$1.67 million, plus payment of attorneys' fees and costs, and denial of defendant's counterclaim of \$1.5 million, in a construction-related contract dispute between former joint-venture partners
- successfully dismissed or resolved numerous class action cases in diverse areas, such as federal securities laws, health care disputes, employment claims, consumer finance actions and real estate disputes

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, "Fall Nonprofit: Taking the Lead on Leadership Succession," Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce

RECOGNITIONS

- *Philadelphia Business Journal*, "2017 Outstanding Directors"
- Senior Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- Member, American Board of Trial Advocates
- *Chambers USA: Leading Lawyers for Business*, listed for Pennsylvania general commercial litigation
- Chambers states that "'excellent litigator' Jeffrey Lutsky is praised by one impressed client, who comments: 'He does a good job of putting strengths and weaknesses into context, to help me assess how to make tough decisions.'"
- The Best Lawyers in America
- Pennsylvania Super Lawyers
- *Martindale-Hubbell*, AV Preeminent rating
- YMCA, Volunteer of the Year award



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IN THE COMMUNITY

Jeff is chairman of the board of trustees of the University of the Arts in Philadelphia and a past board member of the Arts & Business Council of Greater Philadelphia. He is past chairman of the board of directors of the Philadelphia Freedom Valley YMCA and remains on the board and executive committee of that organization.

Jeff was chosen as one of the *Philadelphia Business Journal's* "2017 Outstanding Directors" for his work with both the University of the Arts and the YMCA. The awards celebrate Philadelphia-area directors who are committed and tireless in the pursuit of excellence, and who have demonstrated the vital leadership and business savvy necessary to help guide their businesses' success. In 2011 he was honored with the YMCA's "Volunteer of the Year" award, which recognized Jeff for his generosity of spirit, hard work and compassion for others.

The logo for Stradley Ronon, featuring the name "STRADLEY" in a serif font above "RONON" in a larger serif font. A stylized "SR" monogram is positioned to the left of the "R" in "RONON".

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