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Overview

Kathleen "Kathy" Monnes is a partner in Day Pitney's Insurance and Reinsurance Disputes practice group. She represents insurance companies and brokers in a wide variety of matters involving claims under life, health, and property and casualty policies. She has extensive experience representing clients in connection with disputes over coverage, unfair trade practices, and bad faith. She has appeared on behalf of clients in both state and federal courts in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, Vermont, and West Virginia. Kathy has also represented and advised insurance companies in matters pending before state regulators, including issues relating to the change of control of domestic companies, licensing, and defense of market conduct reviews and consumer complaints. She holds a leadership position as the managing partner of the firm's Hartford office.

Experience

Defense of an insured's claim for insurance coverage for millions of dollars in asbestos losses; the matter was resolved through summary judgment in favor of the insurers; the Connecticut Supreme Court recently affirmed that judgment, resulting in a finding of no liability on the part of the insurers

Defense of several large insurance coverage actions in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York involving claims for environmental contamination

Defense of a national insurance company involving claims under boiler and machinery policies in actions pending throughout the country, including Connecticut, Mississippi, Alabama, and Vermont

Defense of a managed care company in high-profile actions involving breach of contract and fraud claims by providers and ERISA plan participants

Requests for Connecticut and Massachusetts regulatory approval of several large transactions involving the change of control of domestic companies

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Education and Credentials

Education

The George Washington University Law School, J.D., highest honors, 1992, National Order of the Coif

Connecticut College, B.A., *cum laude*, 1988

Admissions

U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

State of Connecticut

Affiliations

American Bar Association, Committee on Insurance Coverage Litigation

Connecticut Bar Association

Oliver Ellsworth Inns of Court

Recognition and Community

No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the highest court of any state. Prior results do not guarantee a similar outcome. See Awards Methodology.

Recognitions

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), Insurance Law, 2008-2025

Selected to the list of Connecticut *Super Lawyers* (Thomson Reuters), Insurance Coverage, 2006-2007, 2012- 2013, 2015-2016

Community Involvement

Kathy has served on the board of directors of MetroBridge, a nonprofit mentoring organization run in conjunction with *The Hartford Courant*, that is dedicated to teaching journalism, photography, and sales and marketing skills to Hartford area high school students.

Through her affiliation in Day Pitney's WWT Program, Kathy has organized and participated in outreach, mentoring and charitable initiatives with a variety of Hartford based organizations.

Insights

COVID-19 Update on Opening of Connecticut Courts

June 10, 2020

New York Court of Appeals Decision Clarifies Scope of N.Y. Ins. Law § 3420
November 29, 2017

News

Day Pitney Announces New Office Location for Hartford in Historic Goodwin Square
October 2, 2023

Day Pitney Bike Drive Delivers Bikes and Helmets to Hartford Area Children
June 28, 2023

Day Pitney Bike Drive Provides 110 Bikes and Helmets for Hartford Area Children
June 23, 2022

87 Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2016 Super Lawyers List
November 10, 2016

71 Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2017 Best Lawyers List
August 15, 2016

91 Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2015 Super Lawyers List
October 30, 2015

68 Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2016 Best Lawyers List
August 24, 2015

Seventy Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2015 Best Lawyers List
August 22, 2014

Eighty-eight Day Pitney Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers* for 2013
October 22, 2013

Seventy Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2014 Best Lawyers List
August 15, 2013

Ninety-eight Day Pitney Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers*
October 22, 2012

Seventy-Five Day Pitney Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers List for 2013
August 23, 2012

Seventy-two Day Pitney Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers List for 2012
October 4, 2011

Seventy-six Day Pitney Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers for 2011
August 9, 2010

In The Media

Day Pitney Relocates Hartford Office to Goodwin Square
Law360 Pulse, October 18, 2023

CT Company Bets New Office Space Will Lure Staff Back More of the Week – It's Hybrid That Says 'Come In'
Hartford Courant, October 12, 2023

Hartford Law Firm Donates 110 Bicycles to Area Youths

CT News Junkie, July 18, 2022

Day Pitney Provides More Than 100 Bikes and Helmets to Area Children

We-Ha.com, July 5, 2022

Day Pitney Provides More Than 100 Bikes and Helmets to Area Children

We-Ha.com, July 5, 2022

Kathleen Monnes Featured on 1080 WTIC Newstalk's Brian and Company Radio Show

1080 WTIC Newstalk, July 1, 2022

Office Snapshot: A Look Into Day Pitney's Hartford Office

Law360 Pulse, April 12, 2021