



# Benjamin E. Haglund

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## Overview

Benjamin Haglund practices in the areas of high-stakes product liability disputes, shareholder/investor suits and commercial disputes for major corporate clients throughout the U.S. His experience includes jury trials, bench trials, arbitration hearings and mediation in complex matters.

Clients seek out Benjamin's counsel with the evaluation and planning of short- and long-term litigation strategy at the state, regional and national levels. He leads joint litigation defense groups in New Jersey and New York and also serves as lead medical and liaison counsel.

Benjamin speaks and publishes often on products liability and other complex, defense-oriented litigation issues, including articles published by the *Metropolitan Corporate Counsel*, *Lawyers Weekly USA* and *Law360*.

## Experience

### Products Liability/Mass Tort

Defense of international bank, a premises owner, in over 340 toxic tort personal injury suits filed in the Southern District of New York arising from the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001

Defense of major pharmaceutical company and its anti-platelet aggregation product in wrongful death suit; obtained summary judgment

Defense of restaurant equipment manufacturers in property damage cases arising from substantial restaurant fires

Defense of alternate fuel engine manufacturer in claim arising from substantial fire at light manufacturing facility alleged to be related to fork lift engine

Defense of an electrical cable and wire manufacturer in over 600 cases filed by electricians in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Massachusetts; as a part of this defense, Mr. Haglund conducted a consolidated jury trial of 13 cases alleging injury and death from work with asbestos-containing wire and cable; after three months of trial and three weeks of deliberation, the jury returned defense verdicts in favor of our client in all cases; Mr. Haglund successfully defended the jury's verdicts on appeal

Defense of manufacturers and suppliers of pumps, valves, seals, dryer felts, caulk, boilers, commercial ovens, ship engines, alternate fuel engines, power

## Practices & Industries

[Class Action Litigation](#)

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[Mass Tort Litigation](#)

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[Real Estate Litigation](#)

[Shareholder and Securities Litigation](#)

plants, paint and construction materials in over 800 asbestos personal injury and wrongful death cases and appeals filed in New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, and Massachusetts.

Defense of real estate owners in asbestos personal injury suits filed in New York, New Jersey, Texas, Illinois, and Delaware relating to manufacturing sites, distribution centers and office buildings located in New York, New Jersey, Arizona, Texas, and Tennessee

Personal counsel to current and former owners of manufacturers and suppliers of asbestos-containing materials and machinery in issues arising from asbestos personal injury and wrongful death suits filed in New York, New Jersey, Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, Rhode Island, Connecticut, California, Pennsylvania, North Dakota, Alabama, Georgia, Texas, Mississippi, and other jurisdictions

Defense of alternate fuel engine manufacturer in claim alleging death by carbon monoxide poisoning

Defense of special education school in matter involving choking death of a student

### **Shareholder/Investor Suits**

Prosecution and trial to verdict of close corporation dispute on behalf of shareholder claiming 50 percent ownership of commercial office building; after trial, a significant judgment was entered in favor of our client

Prosecution of breach of fiduciary duty action on behalf of substantial individual investor against investment advisor who failed to diversify investments

Defense of public food distribution company in investor class action suit challenging fair process and fair price for going private transaction

Defense of international appraisal company in an action arising out of the purchase of the assets of an equipment manufacturing business; Mr. Haglund obtained summary judgment and successfully defended this matter on appeal

### **Commercial Disputes**

Prosecution and trial to verdict on claims involving sales of silicone products; our client was awarded \$2.2 million in compensatory damages and attorney fees plus a three-year, world-wide injunction against a former vice president based upon his diversion of suppliers, customers, and products

Prosecution of counterclaim based on sales of defective steel coatings and paints that had been applied to thousands of commercial truck trailers across North America; after a full series of arbitration hearings, a significant net award was entered in favor of our client, the truck trailer manufacturer

Prosecution of breach of supply contract claim on behalf of pharmaceutical manufacturer against pharmaceutical compounding company

Prosecution of action to terminate pharmaceutical license and supply agreement on behalf of licensor and compel transfer of NDA (new drug application)

Prosecution of counterclaim and defense of alternate fuel company in warranty and breach of contract suit related to conversion of truck engines to compressed natural gas fuel

Defense of national bank in suits alleging negligence and fiduciary breach due to federal seizure of funds

## **Education and Credentials**

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University of Illinois, J.D., 1986

University of Illinois, M.A., 1985

University of Illinois, B.A., 1983

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, 1986, nonmatriculate

## Admissions

State of New Jersey

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

State of Illinois

State of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

## Affiliations

New York State Bar Association

American Bar Association

Lex Mundi Pro Bono Foundation, Board of Directors, 2018-Present

Lex Mundi, Board of Directors, 2015-2021; Past-Chair, 2020-2021; Chair, 2019-2020; Chair-Elect, 2018-2019; Secretary, 2017-2018; Treasurer, 2016-2017

## Languages

Spanish

# 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 *Chambers USA Legal Directory* (Chambers & Partners) of recognized practitioners for Litigation: Products Liability in New Jersey, 2008-2024

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions - Defendants, 2006-2025

Recognized as a New Jersey *Super Lawyers* (Thomson Reuters), 2007, 2010-2014, 2018-2022

Recognized as a leading litigation practitioner in *Benchmark Litigation: The Definitive Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms & Attorneys*, 2009-2011, 2015

AV Preeminent rated by Martindale Hubbell (LexisNexis)

## Insights

Day Pitney Sponsors SABA-NJ Gala

October 24, 2024

Day Pitney Sponsors the Association of Latin American Law Students at Rutgers Law School's 25th Annual Fiesta con Sabor

March 10, 2022

Global Attorney-Client Privilege Guide, Lex Mundi

October 29, 2021

Day Pitney to Host CLE on Employment Law and Contract and Tort Healthcare Issues

April 13, 2016

Federal Preemption Under the Federal Aviation Act

July 16, 2019

New Jersey Supreme Court Moves Closer to *Daubert* Standard for Admissibility of Expert Testimony

August 3, 2018

SCOTUS Limits American Pipe Tolling to Individual Actions, Resolving Circuit Court Split on Untimely Subsequent Class Actions

June 12, 2018

Diversity and Inclusion Best Practices Symposium

October 24, 2017

Supreme Court Reverses Attempt to Broaden Scope of Personal Jurisdiction Over Nonresidents

August 1, 2017

## News

Chambers Recognizes Day Pitney with Elevated Rankings Across Practices and Attorneys

June 6, 2024

Day Pitney Receives 2024 Lex Mundi Pro Bono Foundation Award

May 10, 2024

Chambers USA 2023 Ranks 35 Day Pitney Attorneys and 13 Practices

June 1, 2023

Litigation Partner Benjamin Haglund Attends Lex Mundi Asia Pacific Conference

March 20, 2023

Chambers USA 2022 Ranks 34 Day Pitney Attorneys and 13 Practices

June 1, 2022

Chambers USA 2021 Ranks 31 Day Pitney Attorneys and 13 Practices

May 21, 2021

Chambers USA 2020 Ranks 34 Day Pitney Attorneys and 12 Practices

April 30, 2020

Day Pitney Honored by New Jersey Muslim Lawyers Association

November 18, 2019

Alba Aviles and Ben Haglund Attend LatinoJustice PRLDEF Annual Awards Gala

November 13, 2019

Day Pitney Receives Mansfield Rule Certification Plus for Second Consecutive Year; Commits to Mansfield Rule 3.0

September 3, 2019

Day Pitney Partner Benjamin Haglund Elected Chair of Lex Mundi's Board of Directors

May 9, 2019

Chambers USA 2019 Ranks 38 Day Pitney Attorneys and 12 Practices

May 8, 2019

Day Pitney Strengthens Commitment to Diversity with Mansfield Certification Plus Recognition

August 20, 2018

Chambers USA 2018 Ranks 39 Day Pitney Attorneys and 11 Practices

May 25, 2018

Seton Hall Law School Honors Ben Haglund for Diversity & Inclusion Leadership and Advocacy

April 17, 2018

Chambers USA 2017 Ranks 41 Day Pitney Attorneys

May 26, 2017

Ben Haglund Elected as Secretary of Lex Mundi

May 9, 2017

71 Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2017 Best Lawyers List

August 15, 2016

Chambers USA 2016 Ranks 47 Day Pitney Attorneys

May 27, 2016

Day Pitney Sponsors the South Asian Bar Association of New Jersey Annual Dinner

November 3, 2015

68 Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2016 Best Lawyers List

August 24, 2015

Chambers USA 2015 Ranks 51 Day Pitney Attorneys

May 21, 2015

Eighty-Four Day Pitney Attorneys Recognized by Super Lawyers for 2014

November 3, 2014

Seventy Day Pitney Lawyers Named to 2015 Best Lawyers List

August 22, 2014

Chambers USA 2014 Ranks 46 Day Pitney Attorneys

May 23, 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

Chambers USA 2013 Ranks 39 Day Pitney Attorneys

May 24, 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

Chambers USA 2012 Ranks 41 Day Pitney Attorneys

June 8, 2012

Seventy-two Day Pitney Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers List for 2012

October 4, 2011

Chambers USA 2011 Ranks 45 Day Pitney Attorneys

June 10, 2011

Thirty-three Day Pitney Attorneys Named New Jersey Super Lawyers

March 31, 2011

Seventy-six Day Pitney Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers for 2011

August 9, 2010

Chambers USA 2010 Ranks 40 Day Pitney Attorneys

June 11, 2010

## In The Media

Kritika Bharadwaj, Benjamin Haglund, Theresa Kelly, Naju Lathia and Elizabeth Sher Represent Firm at SABA-NJ 2021 Annual Gala

South Asian Bar Association of New Jersey, October 1, 2021

Moderator, "The Rising Tide of Global Warming Claims," Vancouver, British Columbia, Lex Mundi North America Meeting, October 2011

October 1, 2010