

## CLAIRE BREAUX VENTOLA

**SHAREHOLDER** 



#### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Product Liability
Premises & Retail Liability
Construction Injury Litigation
Environmental & Toxic Tort Litigation
Employment Law
Catastrophic Claims Litigation

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#### **ADMISSIONS**

Louisiana 1995

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana 1995

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana 1995

U.S. District Court Western District of Louisiana 1995

Pennsylvania 2008

U.S. District Court District of New Jersey 2008

New Jersey 2012

U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania 2010

#### **EDUCATION**

Boston University School of Law (J.D., 1995)

Northwestern State University (B.A., magna cum laude, 1992)

# **OVERVIEW**

Claire has extensive experience in the defense of complex litigation and general casualty cases involving product liability, premises liability, construction (representing contractors, subcontractors and product manufacturers) and personal injury. She has also defended automobile cases, breach of contract cases, real estate appraisal cases and toxic tort cases involving benzene, asbestos and silica.

Currently, Claire represents a major elevator and escalator manufacturer in Pennsylvania and an automatic door manufacturer in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. She also has experience representing manufacturers of HVAC systems, pesticides and chemical products, commercial appliances and respiratory protective equipment, as well as experience in defending a variety of defendants in general negligence cases.

Upon obtaining her *juris doctor* from Boston University in 1995, Claire worked as a judicial clerk for the Supreme Court of Louisiana until 1996. Thereafter, she was a shareholder at the defense law firm of Duplass, Zwain, Bourgeois, Pfister & Weinstock in the greater New Orleans, Louisiana area, where she practiced for 12 years. Claire has been with Marshall Dennehey since 2008.

# ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association, 1995

Louisiana State Bar Association, 1995

New Jersey Bar Association, 2012

Pennsylvania Bar Association, 2008

Philadelphia Bar Association, 2013

#### **YEAR JOINED**

2008

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

# **Immune or Not Immune? That Is the Question**

Philadelphia - Headquarters General Liability Workers' Compensation October 1, 2020 Defense Digest, Vol. 26, No.

#### Park and Cross At Your Own Risk

Philadelphia - Headquarters General Liability September 1, 2017

Defense Digest, Vol. 23, No. 3, September 2017 By Claire B. Ventola, Esq.\* Key Points: Defense Digest, Vol. 23, No. 3, September 2017. Defense Digest is prepared by Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin to provide information on recent legal developments of interest to our readers.

# Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin Elects New Shareholders

December 14, 2012

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# The General Standards of OSHA and ANSI Do Not Preempt State Tort Claims Against Product Manufacturers in Pennsylvania

Philadelphia - Headquarters Product Liability June 1, 2010

Pennsylvania - Product Liability Key Points: Defense Digest, Vol. 16, No. 2, June 2010

#### **CLASSES/SEMINARS TAUGHT**

Personal Injury Law From Start to Finish: Law and Legislative Update, Sterling Educational Seminars, Philadelphia, PA, July 14, 2015

### **PUBLISHED WORKS**

"Park and Cross At Your Own Risk," *Defense Digest,* Vol. 23, No. 3, September 2017 and *Counterpoint*, January 2018

"The General Standards of OSHA and ANSI Do Not Preempt State Tort Claims Against Product Manufacturers in Pennsylvania," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 16, No. 2, June 2010