

# TANIESHA K. SALMONS

**ASSOCIATE** 



#### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Product Liability Premises & Retail Liability General Liability

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#### **ADMISSIONS**

Florida 2002

U.S. District Court Southern District of Florida 2003

New Jersey 2005

Pennsylvania 2005

U.S. District Court District of New Jersey 2005

U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania 2006

# **EDUCATION**

University of Miami School of Law (J.D., 2002)

University of Miami (B.A., 1999)

# **OVERVIEW**

Taniesha is a member of the Casualty Department handling litigation involving premises and product liability. She represents major grocery retailers, condominium and homeowners' associations, business owners and private property owners in premises liability matters.

Taniesha additionally defends manufacturers and distributors of tools, automatic doors, machinery and other heavy industrial equipment in product liability matters. She also assists in the defense of fire loss cases and complex product liability cases involving catastrophic losses.

Taniesha is a two-time graduate of the "U," University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida, where she received both her bachelor's and juris doctor, achieving the honor of Dean's Scholar.

After law school, Taniesha joined a boutique plaintiff's firm in the Brickell neighborhood of Miami, Florida, where she litigated in the areas of employment discrimination, admiralty and personal injury law. She relocated to the Philadelphia area, originally joining Marshall Dennehey in the Philadelphia office as an associate in the Casualty Department in 2005. Taniesha took time off from the practice of law to build and support her growing family and returned to Marshall Dennehey in 2022.

A certified arbitrator in Philadelphia, Taniesha is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, The United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the State of New Jersey, the United States District Court of New Jersey, the State of Florida, and the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida.

# **RESULTS**

# Defense Verdict in Premises Liability Case

## Premises & Retail Liability August 2, 2023

We obtained a defense verdict in a premises liability case where the plaintiff alleged that she tripped and fell on the defendant's row home stairs outside the property. After less than an hour of deliberations, the jury found negligence, but no causation for the plaintiff's injuries.

# ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Philadelphia Bar Association

Florida Bar Association

Montgomery County Bar Association

The Agnes Irwin School, Leadership Advisory Committee 2017-2019, DEI Committee 2019-2021, Trustee 2020-2021

# **YEAR JOINED**

2022

#### SIGNIFICANT REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Obtained defense verdict, sitting second chair, in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas. The plaintiff alleged that she tripped and fell on a defect on our client's stairs outside of a row home property in the Olney section of Philadelphia. While waiting to enter the home the women thought they heard a gunshot and took off running down the steps. The plaintiff fell and sustained a tibial plateau fracture and a meniscal tear. She had surgery and permanent hardware inserted in her leg. She was unable to return to her job for several months and had almost \$58,000 in past medical bills and lost wages on the board. There was a chunk of the stairs missing, but neither the plaintiff nor the witnesses could say definitively what caused her fall. The jury found negligence but no causation after less than an hour of deliberations.