

# NICHOLAS P. CHRYSANTHEM

**SHAREHOLDER** 



#### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Lawyers' Professional Liability
Disciplinary Board Representation
Employment Law
Commercial Litigation
Miscellaneous Professional Liability
Non-Profit D&O
Catastrophic Claims Litigation

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#### **ADMISSIONS**

New York 1989

New Jersey 1988

U.S. District Court Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court District of New Jersey

U.S. Court of Appeals 2nd Circuit

# **OVERVIEW**

Nicholas is a member of the Professional Liability Department where his practice is focused on the representation of law firms, attorneys, and employers in state and federal courts.

An experienced trial attorney and litigator for over 30 years, Nicholas defends clients in matters involving legal malpractice, employment litigation, real estate litigation, complex commercial litigation, ADA public accommodation and ADA class action litigation. Nicholas has experience practicing before the New York State Division of Human Rights and the New York City Human Rights Commission. He has also been retained by clients to consult on risk avoidance matters and as a trial expert. Nicholas has lectured on evidence and trial practice at various continuing legal education seminars.

Nicholas has significant experience defending owners and contractors in actions arising out of New York Labor Law and New York Industrial Code violations. His experience in litigating commercial and tort disputes provides clients with the ability to understand a variety of underlying matters that are often the basis of legal malpractice actions.

Nicholas graduated with his Bachelor of Arts in Communication Arts from Iona College in 1982. In 1988, he earned his *juris doctor* from Fordham University School of Law and received the American Jurisprudence Award in Torts.

Prior to joining Marshall Dennehey, Nicholas was a member of a New York firm where he focused his practice on the defense of law firms and attorneys in legal malpractice actions, commercial and corporate litigation, and cases brought under New York's Labor Law.

#### **EDUCATION**

Fordham University School of Law (J.D., 1988)

Iona College (B.A., 1982)

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

New York Metro Super Lawyer 2021-2023

# ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association, Trial Evidence Committee; Employment Law Section; Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section; and Section of Litigation

DRI, Employment and Labor Law Section, Professional Liability Section, and Commercial Litigation Section

New York State Bar Association, Law Practice Management Committee 2013-Present, Labor and Employment Law Section

New York Trial Notebook Editorial Advisory Board, 2005

#### **YEAR JOINED**

2015

# THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

# Marshall Dennehey Announces 2022 New York Metro Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

October 3, 2022

Six attorneys from Marshall Dennehey's New York City, Westchester County, and Long Island offices have been selected to the 2022 edition of New York Metro Super Lawyers magazine. Read More

# **Legal Updates for Employment Law**

**New York** 

Cincinnati

**Employment Law** 

March 9, 2018

Amended NYC Law Requires Employers to Cooperate With Employees Seeking an Accommodation The material in this law alert has been prepared for our readers by Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin.

# Trial Attorney Nicholas Chrysanthem Joins Marshall Dennehey in NYC

Miscellaneous Professional Liability

July 27, 2015

Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin announced today that Nicholas Chrysanthem has joined the firm's New York City office as a shareholder in the Professional Liability Department. Read More

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

Professional Responsibility, Columbia University School of Law, Guest Speaker, June 2021

Employment Law Seminar, ACEC, Albany, New York, Presenter, January 2019

Legal Malpractice: How to Avoid it, What to do If You Can't, Lecturer

Legal Malpractice and Ethics, Brooklyn Law School, Solo Practice Seminar, Lecturer

ESI For Dummies, What Every Legal Team Should Know, The Lawyers Guide to ESI Forensics 101, New York State Bar Association, Moderator

### RESULTS

# Defense Verdict in High Stakes Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith Case

# Insurance Services – Coverage & Bad Faith Litigation May 11, 2017

Obtained a defense verdict in the U.S.D.C. for the Southern District of New York. Our insurance company client adjusted a burglary loss of roughly \$1.3 million and wired the proceeds directly to the insured rather than to the bank named as a loss payee on the policy. The bank had a security interest in the stolen inventory and was owed more than \$2 million by the insured. Upon receipt of the proceeds, the principal of the insured abandoned his business (and his wife, who was a coguarantor of the insured's indebtedness to the bank) took the money and fled the country.

#### SIGNIFICANT REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Obtained defense verdict after jury trial in U.S. Dist. Court, S.D.N.Y in the matter of Flushing Bank v. AGCS Marine Insurance Company, 16-CV-2638 (RJS) in breach of contract action arising out of a claim by a loss payee.

Obtained Multiple "No Probable Cause" determinations from New York State Division of Human Rights in favor of Employer-Clients

Obtained favorable resolutions of Federal ADA Class Action lawsuits

Obtained pre-answer dismissal of adversary proceeding against law firm-client arising out of underlying bankruptcy proceeding

Obtained a defense verdict after a five-day jury trial in a legal malpractice action arising out of an underlying divorce case

Obtained reversal of a denial of summary judgment from the New York Appellate Division, Second Department in a legal malpractice action

Obtained voluntary dismissal with prejudice of action against attorneys based on underlying commercial real estate matter

Obtained favorable result in complex software copyright infringement case

Obtained reversal of a decision re-instating a lead poisoning case after dismissal from the New York Appellate Division, Second Department

Obtained favorable settlement including millions of dollars' worth of real estate in connection with resolution of complex shareholder litigation