

**MARK K. MCCULLOCH**

SPECIAL COUNSEL

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**AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Property Litigation  
Automobile Liability  
Premises & Retail Liability  
Appellate Advocacy & Post-Trial Practice

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## ADMISSIONS

Florida

Massachusetts

Pennsylvania

Supreme Court of the United States

U.S. Court of Appeals 1st Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals 2nd Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals 3rd Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals 4th Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals 6th Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals 9th Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals 11th Circuit

U.S. District Court Middle District of Florida

U.S. District Court Northern District of Florida

U.S. District Court Southern District of Florida

U.S. District Court District of Massachusetts

U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court Middle District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court Western District of Pennsylvania

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## EDUCATION

Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law (J.D., 2008)

American International College (M.P.A., Magna Cum Laude, 2004)

Emerson College (B.A., 1992)

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## YEAR JOINED

2023

## OVERVIEW

Mark McCulloch is Special Counsel in our Casualty Department. Mark defends clients in matters involving premises liability, focusing on trip and falls on “foreign transitory substances”, and auto liability, including rideshare liability. In addition to his representation at the trial level, Mark is an accomplished Appellate advocate and counselor with proven experience at all levels of state and federal appellate practice, including in the United States Supreme Court.

Mark is able to provide legal counsel and advice to clients on a wide range of complex legal issues related to liability and risk management. He is skilled at identifying potential claims and defenses based upon comprehensive review of case facts, present controlling legal authority, and his experience as a trial and appellate advocate to assist clients fashion an appropriate litigation strategy tailored and designed to achieve the best outcome for the client.

Prior to joining Marshall Dennehey, Mark defended Florida cities, counties, and other public entities such as Community Development Districts protected by Florida’s statutory limited waiver of sovereign immunity in a variety of areas including land use and development code compliance, claims involving public records and open meeting law, claims involving access to public services under the Americans with Disabilities Act, civil rights claims under the federal and state civil rights acts. His significant experience in these areas also included providing pre-suit investigation support and analysis, risk management analysis, and responses to public inquiries following high-profile events. Mark also spent several years as a solo practitioner representing criminal defendants in federal and state appellate courts.

Mark received his Bachelor of Science in Journalism from Emerson College and spent 15 years as a newspaper reporter and editor. During this time, he received his Master’s in Public Administration from American International College. He received his *juris doctor* from Barry University Dwayne O. Andres School of Law.

He is admitted to practice in Florida and Pennsylvania, including all state and federal districts. He is also admitted to practice in United States Supreme Court, and the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, and Eleventh Circuits.

## RESULTS

### Per Curiam Affirmance Obtained in Florida Fire-Loss Subrogation Case

#### Appellate Advocacy & Post-Trial Practice Property Litigation

July 31, 2024

We succeeded in obtaining a *per curiam* affirmance in the First District Court of Appeal of a final order dismissing the plaintiff’s fire-loss subrogation claim against our client, a tenant in a leased property the plaintiff insured. The First District affirmed the trial court’s finding that the specific fire-loss provisions in the lease shifted the risk of loss to the landlord, the plaintiff’s insured. As a result, our client was a co-insured under the plaintiff’s policy. An insurance company cannot sue its own insured.