

FRANK A. BAKER III

SENIOR COUNSEL



AREAS OF PRACTICE

Product Liability
Professional Liability
General Liability
Premises and Retail Liability
Automobile Liability
Trucking & Transportation Liability
Architectural, Engineering and
Construction Defect Litigation
Amusements, Sports and Recreation
Liability

CONTACT INFO

(484) 895-2323
fabaker@mdwcg.com

10 N. Main Street
2nd Floor
Doylestown, PA 18901

ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court Eastern
District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court Middle
District of Pennsylvania

EDUCATION

Villanova University School of
Law (J.D.)

University of Pennsylvania
(B.A.)

HONORS & AWARDS

AV® Preeminent™ by
Martindale-Hubbell®

OVERVIEW

Frank Baker is a litigation and trial lawyer with more than 30 years of experience. He concentrates his practice in the defense of casualty, product liability and professional liability matters. He will partner with you to understand your litigation objectives and get them accomplished economically. Frank will assist in the prompt investigation and evaluation of the case and work with you to establish or update your reserves, and if early resolution is not feasible, he is prepared to take the case through alternative dispute resolution or trial.

Frank's effectiveness as a trial lawyer has earned him the highest professional rating from his peers, AV® Preeminent™ by LexisNexis Martindale-Hubbell. He tries cases in the areas of product liability, professional liability, premises and motor vehicle liability, construction defects and injuries, fires and toxic torts. Product manufacturers, major retailers, transportation companies, municipalities and various professionals, among others, have benefited from Frank's significant experience as a trial lawyer. With over 30 years in practice, he has defended hundreds of casualty cases and served as lead trial counsel in dozens of jury trials.

Frank is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Villanova School of Law. He served as a law clerk to a trial judge. He is actively involved in civic activities in the Lehigh Valley, where he lives and works.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

A Chink in the Armor of Workers' Compensation Immunity: Pennsylvania Superior Court Finds Narrow Exception to Workers' Compensation Immunity

Allentown
General Liability
Workers' Compensation
September 1, 2009

Pennsylvania - Civil Liability In a recent Pennsylvania Superior Court case, which can be found at 2009 Pa. Super 73; 971 A.2d 1280, the court ruled that the exclusivity provision of the Workers' Compensation Act ("Act"), 77 P.S. Defense Digest, Vol. 15, No. 3, September 2009

CLASSES/SEMINARS TAUGHT

Various lectures to insurance industry groups on premises liability, auto liability and product liability

PUBLISHED WORKS

"A Chink in the Armor of Workers' Compensation Immunity: Pennsylvania Superior Court Finds Narrow Exception to Workers' Compensation Immunity," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 15, No. 3, September 2009

RESULTS

Dog attack claim lacks "bite."

General Liability
July 25, 2019

We obtained summary judgment in favor of our homeowner clients in a case involving an alleged "attack" by our client's dog. As the plaintiff walked past the client's property on a public sidewalk, the dog ran out to the edge of the sidewalk barking loudly. The plaintiff became "startled" and stepped back, falling into the street and sustaining a seriously displaced left distal radius fracture that required open reduction and internal fixation.

SIGNIFICANT REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Obtained a defense verdict for rehabilitation hospital in a suit claiming permanent, disabling injuries from allegedly defective equipment.

Obtained a defense verdict for major Japanese manufacturer in a large commercial fire allegedly caused by a kerosene heater.

Obtained a defense verdict for a national school bus operating company in the death of a child who disembarked from school bus and was struck by a passing vehicle.

Obtained a defense verdict for manufacturer of commercial coffee brewing system in alleged "explosion" causing severe scalding injuries.

Successfully represented the owner of a chemical plant which suffered a catastrophic explosion, resulting in multiple deaths and leading to a number of complex lawsuits.

Obtained a summary judgment for an attorney sued for defects in a pre-nuptial

agreement which resulted in a significant alimony award against the attorney's client.

Obtained a summary judgment for an attorney sued for missing a statute of limitations.

Successfully defended the designer/installer of fire suppression system in alleged premature release of system in gigantic frozen food warehouse.

Successfully and economically resolved a complex commercial roof collapse case through creative use of engineering and meteorological experts.