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RELATED SERVICES

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OVERVIEW

Joseph Monahan is Senior Counsel in the Philadelphia office of GRSM. He is a member of the Commercial Litigation and Insurance practice groups.

Joseph focuses his practice on commercial litigation, contract disputes, insurance coverage, defamation, business torts, trade secrets and unfair competition matters as well as class action defense. He has represented real estate developers, medical device manufacturers, venture capitalists, insurers, reinsurers, brokers, entertainment and film production companies, a documentary filmmaker, major universities and professional practices, among others, in a wide range of matters, including through government investigations, trials, arbitrations, mediation and appellate proceedings.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Defense of filmmaker and production company in high profile defamation action.
- Representation of home improvement company with growing interstate footprint in defense of allegations of trade secret misappropriation.



- Representation of multiple insurance carriers accused of bad faith in both the first party and thirdparty context.
- Defense of bank and bank holding company in consumer class actions alleging violations of RESPA and the Sherman Act
- Representation of university in major Clery Act and Title IX federal investigations.
- After extensive motion practice in multiple courts, reached favorable resolution of dispute concerning alleged fraud, RICO and ERISA violations with respect to the financing of a major entertainment facility.
- Defense of RICO, fraud and Pennsylvania's Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law claims brought by putative class against real estate industry defendants.
- Successfully represented medical device manufacturer accused of design patent infringement through trial and Federal Circuit appeal.

PRESENTATIONS

• Speaker, *The Attorney- Client Privilege: Practical and Strategic Recommendations for In-House Counsel*, Private Client Presentation, March 17, 2016

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- Oregon (inactive)
- Wisconsin (inactive)

Community Involvement

- Fellow, Leadership Philadelphia
- Board of Advisors, Community Partnership School

Education

- J.D. University of Wisconsin Law School 1993 (Order of the Coif, *Cum Laude*)
- B.A., History, Boston College, 1989 (Golden Key National Honor Society)