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RELATED SERVICES

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OVERVIEW

Tristan Smith is Senior Counsel in the Westchester office of GRSM, and handles a variety of general liability matters, including automobile, premises and trucking accidents, as well as products liability. Tristan has defended over two dozen jury trials in several venues, and focuses on treating each case from day one as though it will go to trial, being mindful of what is needed to win and building it into the case. This approach has not only been awarded with many defense verdicts, but it has also led to favorable resolutions on hundreds of cases. Tristan also has experience in appellate matters, mediation, arbitration, and in defending uninsured/underinsured motorist claims both before the American Arbitration Association and in the New York State Supreme Court.

Prior to joining GRSM, Tristan spent several years focusing on insurance defense, including as Staff

Counsel for a national personal liability carrier, and as an Associate at a well-reputed Hudson Valley firm defending personal automobile and premises liability, as well as commercial premises liability matters. He has been recognized his peers for his professional excellence and high ethical standing with Martindale-Hubbell's award of AV Preeminent.

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- New York
- U.S. District Court, Southern, Eastern and Northern Districts of New York

Memberships

- State Bar of New York

Community Involvement

- Hudson River Rowing Association – Board of Directors, Member-at-Large (Current)
- Rotary Club of Fishkill – Board Member – Secretary (2018-2019), Vice-President (2019-2020), President (2020-2021)

Education

- J.D., Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University f/k/a Pace Law School, 2010
- B.A., Political Science and Psychology, Dickinson College, 2007

Honors

- Martindale-Hubbell – AV Preeminent