

# Asbestos & Talc

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## RELATED SERVICES

- Chemical Exposure
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## OVERVIEW

The lawyers in our asbestos and talc practice have defended over ten thousand asbestos and cosmetic talcum cases across the country. GRSM attorneys have hundreds of years of collective experience in litigating highly contentious asbestos and talc cases in the most challenging, plaintiff-friendly jurisdictions. The firm's trial teams have tried hundreds of asbestos and talc cases nationwide and won defense verdicts in the some of the most dangerous jurisdictions in the country including New York, Texas, Illinois and California.

With offices in all 50 states, and over 100 attorneys practicing in our asbestos and talc group, GRSM is ready to defend our clients nationwide better than any firm in the country. We have the experience, resources and depth to manage major national litigation and to work as local counsel or trial counsel anywhere in the United States.

## OUR APPROACH

Early case evaluation leads to the most effective defense. We work with each client to find the litigation strategy that meets their business goals, whether that is an informal approach, aggressive discovery and motion practice, or, if necessary, trial. Our presence in all 50 states creates opportunities to better manage asbestos and talc litigation. Our case management system, strong relationships with experts and vast database of deposition transcripts and scientific literature help keep costs low for our clients.

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- National Trial Counsel for multiple Fortune 500 talc and asbestos defendants
- National Coordinating and trial counsel for talc and asbestos defendants in a wide range of industries including cosmetic talc, industrial talc, joint compound, automotive parts suppliers and manufacturers, flooring, electrical components, valves and pumps, and a variety of other products
- National Coordinating and trial counsel for defendants facing employee and contractor claims for work on their premises
- Appellate and trial counsel for cases involving a variety of key legal issues in asbestos and talc litigation including liability for secondary and household exposure claims, the application of the worker's compensation exclusive remedy provision in latent disease cases, and liability for other products used in connection with the client's product.