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William DeVito is a Partner at Harwood Lloyd. Prior to joining Harwood LLoyd, he was a Staff Counsel Attorney for AIG from 2000 to July of 2024, including serving as co-attorney of record in New York and attorney of record in Connecticut from 2017 through July of 2024. Mr. Devito worked at another prominent defense firm briefly at the end of 2024, handling high exposure cases for Liberty Mutual and Progressive Insurance before joining Harwood Lloyd.

Shortly, after joining AIG Staff Counsel in 2000 he was promoted to Senior Trial Attorney and became the dedicated handling attorney for a major municipal contractor and several City agencies. From 2006 to 2008 he managed bad-faith litigation throughout the country for AIG's personal lines unit. He has handled automobile, premises, construction UM/UIM and general liability cases. He was also dedicated to training Claims Professionals and his staff counsel lawyers as well as, presenting programs for the NY Defense Association and National Business Institute. He has presented courses on defending Traumatic Brain Injury claims, Legal Ethics, Premises and Liability, Lifecare plans and the NY Administrative Code as it applies to trip and fall cases.

Prior to working at AIG, he served as a Law clerk for the Superior Court of Connecticut for one year and then began his litigation experience working for a prominent plaintiff firm in NYC for two years. In 1996, he joined Geico's Staff Counsel team in New York where he led and affirmative motion unit and then was promoted to trial attorney and exclusively handled trials in Kings County from 1998 to 2000.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Insurance Law

EDUCATION

UNDERGRADUATE

- Adelphi University B.A. 1990) Cum Laude with Honors in Liberal Arts

LAW SCHOOL

- Pace University (J.D. 1993)

ADMISSIONS

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New York, 1994
- New Jersey, 1993
- Connecticut, 1994

COURT ADMISSIONS

- US District Courts – Southern and Eastern District of New York

MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

LEGAL

- Defense Association of New York

Pro Bono

- AIG Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year 2023
- Member of Catholic Migration Services of New York Board of Directors
- Catholic Migration Services Impact Award for 2022
- AIG National Staff Counsel Lead 2019 – 2024
- AIG Liaison to Catholic Migration Services 2017 to 2024

CIVIC / COMMUNITY

- Chartered Partner Representative for Scouts BSA, Troops 150, 1150 and Pack 150 – 2017 to present
- Patriots Path Counsel, Scouts BSA Legal Committee Member
- Merits Badge Counselor of the Year 2019 – Skylands District
- Active Merit Badge Counselor Patriot's Path Council since 2012
- Proud Father of an Eagle Scout 2015