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**University**

College of the Holy Cross, B.A., 1989

**Law School**

Fordham University, J.D., 1996

**Admitted**

1996, New Jersey; 2000, Massachusetts; United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit;  
 United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; United States Court of Appeals for the  
 Seventh Circuit; United States District Court of Massachusetts; United States Supreme Court

**Memberships** Boston Bar Association; Massachusetts Bar Association; Member, American Bar Association.

**Biography**

Matt has extensive experience representing companies in complex business disputes in federal and state courts throughout the country and before arbitration panels.

Since joining the firm in 1998, Matt has focused his practice in two primary areas: the representation of life science companies in contract disputes involving collaboration agreements, patent licenses, supplier agreements, and distribution contracts; and the representation of bondholders and other creditors in bankruptcy litigation matters.

Matt has also represented our clients in other litigation matters, including trademark, copyright, and other intellectual property disputes; litigation over real property; and employment-related disputes.

He also frequently counsels clients on ways to avoid litigation.

From August 2000 to February 2001, Matt served as a special assistant district attorney as part of a firm-sponsored program with the Middlesex County District Attorney's Office. During that time, Matt prosecuted over 100 criminal matters and tried 12 jury cases.

Before attending law school, Matt served as a lieutenant in the US Navy.

**Representative Matters**

- Achieved complete victory as lead trial counsel for an international life sciences company in a confidential arbitration initiated by one of the company's top suppliers. Following extensive discovery and an evidentiary hearing, a panel of three arbitrators unanimously rejected the supplier's \$12 million breach of contract claim and entered judgment for our client on its counterclaim in a total amount exceeding \$2 million, including an award for attorneys' fees and costs.
- Earned victory for a biotechnology company in an arbitration involving a multibillion-dollar drug development collaboration. A panel of three retired federal judges ruled in our client's favor following a two-week hearing, a victory that established our client's right to co-develop one of the world's largest-selling cancer drugs.
- Obtained favorable settlement on behalf of a molecular diagnostics company in a dispute with one of the world's largest pharmaceutical companies over the right to distribute a companion diagnostic kit for use in the oncology market.
- Successfully represented institutional holders of over \$400 million in airport revenue bonds in litigation within the Delta Airlines bankruptcy. The Second Circuit Court of Appeals and US Supreme Court upheld the bankruptcy court's decision in our clients' favor.

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- Obtained summary judgment for our bondholder clients in a dispute with United Airlines, which sought to avoid paying over \$260 million in special facility airport revenue bonds as part of its bankruptcy reorganization. The Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the bankruptcy court's decision in our clients' favor. See *United Air Lines, Inc. v. HSBC Bank USA*, 453 F.3d 463 (7th Cir. 2006), affirming 322 B.R. 347 (N.D. Ill. 2005).
- Persuaded the court to deny a plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction in a software licensing dispute involving a popular computer game.
- Convinced the federal court to grant summary judgment to a national textbook publisher in a copyright infringement action.
- Successfully defended a national printing company against a competitor's lawsuit seeking to enforce a noncompetition agreement.
- Achieved trial and appellate victories for a national hotel chain in a contract dispute with a real estate developer.
- Obtained settlement at mediation on behalf of a state university in an environmental cleanup action.

**Recognitions & Awards**

- Navy Achievement Medal for exemplary performance during the Persian Gulf War
- Navy Commendation Medal for superior performance of duty during a three-year tour on the USS *Biddle* (CG-34)

**Professional & Community Involvement**

- Member, Boston Bar Association
- Member, Massachusetts Bar Association
- Member, American Bar Association

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