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## Life, Health, Disability and ERISA Litigation

Mirick has a long history of providing our clients with consistently successful results on their behalf whether it be through negotiation, mediation, summary judgment, arbitration, trial, or appeal.

Our Life, Health, Disability and ERISA Litigation Team exclusively represent insurers, employee benefit plans, and third-party administrators. Our clients include some of the largest life and disability insurance companies in the United States.

We handle cases in connection with both individual and group claims, under state and federal law.

Members of our team regularly lecture and write scholarly articles. Our expertise covers a full array of issues arising in this area of litigation including the defense of life, health and disability benefit claims, long-term care, rescission and reformation cases, interpleader, breach of fiduciary duty allegations, and bad faith claims, including the Massachusetts consumer protection statute, Chapter 93A.

The team also handles matters concerning government investigations or inquiries initiated by state administrative agencies including the Department of Insurance and the Massachusetts Attorney General. Many clients seek our advice before a claim reaches a formal dispute to help evaluate complex factual or legal issues. We also provide training to clients to help manage legal risks in the life, health, and disability arena.

While based in Massachusetts, our representation is regional in nature encompassing Connecticut, New Hampshire and Rhode Island. We have also been specially admitted in other jurisdictions. We have successfully represented dozens of insurers, employee benefit plans and third-party administrators in literally hundreds of cases through the full range of trial

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and appellate courts, including the Massachusetts Appeals Court, the Supreme Judicial Court and the First Circuit Court of Appeals. Our attorneys have resolved numerous cases through negotiation and mediation. However, when necessary, we have litigated cases to a final conclusion obtaining numerous favorable rulings and verdicts by defending against preliminary injunctions or litigating motions for summary judgment, arbitrations and trials. We have also represented our clients in precedent-setting decisions before the First Circuit Court of Appeals and the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and Appeals Court. While represented by our group, no client has had a bad faith claim successfully prosecuted against it.



#### In the Community

Chris Collins received the historic Isaiah Thomas Award, which recognizes individuals for "distinguished community service."

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