# JACKSONKELLY<sub>PLIC</sub>



We understand the complex business of insurance from crafting and enforcing the policy to defending insureds in all manner of litigation, large and small, simple and complex.

Jackson Kelly provides counsel on insurance contracts from coverage opinions to litigation, mediation, and arbitration.

Our lawyers stay on top of this evolving and regulated industry by monitoring developments in case law and statutory changes so that we are prepared to assist with planning, drafting, implementing, and enforcing policy language.

Jackson Kelly's Insurance industry group includes experienced attorneys from across the Firm, all of whom have a comprehensive understanding of our clients' legal issues. We deliver legal and regulatory insight to our clients and partner with them to craft effective legal solutions to these issues. We pride ourselves on providing quality representation at an exceptional value.

Whether the conflict lands in arbitration or litigation, the Jackson Kelly team has the experience to tackle the matter. We strive to provide strategic and cost-effective solutions that resolve insurance disputes utilizing mediation, arbitration and negotiation methods. And when necessary, your Jackson Kelly litigation team will tailor an outcome-oriented strategy that protects you and advocates for your interests.

We represent clients in diverse matters, including: claims adjustments; consultation; coverage issues; insurance defense and bad faith litigation under numerous policy types; employment practice liability; environmental issues; life, health and disability claims; insurance regulatory; mergers and acquisitions; breach of fiduciary duty; allegations of professional negligence; product liability; as well as annuities and other financial product litigation.

# **Insurance Company Representation**

#### Coverage Issues and Bad Faith Litigation

Our attorneys represent insurers in negotiations concerning coverage disputes and issues, as well as defend insurers in bad faith litigation.

#### Insurance and Reinsurance Insolvencies

Our attorneys monitor insurance industry trends and assist our reinsurance clients by advising the best way to react to these changes, or when necessary, by representing them in cases that address the subsequent issues they bring. We counsel clients that are at risk of insolvency or are already insolvent and help identify potential rights and/or offsets and when necessary, submit requisite pleadings to preserve their rights.

## Insurance Agent and Broker Professional Liability and Contractual

We represent and counsel insurance agents and brokers in cases involving claims of negligence, breach of contract, and numerous other professional liability and administrative claims. In an effort to protect our clients' licenses and their livelihood, we provide solutions to the challenges faced by these clients and deliver solid valuable representation of those who are facing disciplinary action.

# Annuities and Other Financial Product Litigation

With careful monitoring and evaluation of policy language and the ever-changing issues within the insurance industry, our attorneys anticipate potential disputes and coverage issues when a policy provision is drafted. As a result, we effectively represent our clients in cases dealing with annuity and other financial fraud affiliated with various financial and insurance-related products.

#### Life, Health and Disability

Our attorneys have successfully defended life insurers in matters regarding life, health and disability insurance with such claims as breach of contract, negligent supervision, fraud, and violations of consumer protection laws.

# **Insured Litigation**

## Claims Adjustment

We provide a comprehensive evaluation of the insured's legal position and develop a sound strategy for efficiently and effectively defending the claims.

#### Insurance Counseling and Defense

We provide winning results for insured clients through effective mediation, arbitration, and negotiation methods, as well as through our alternate dispute resolution services and superior trial and appellate representation.

#### Director and Officer Liability

We have significant experience in defending directors and officers in state and federal courts, including claims alleging breach of fiduciary duties, misappropriation of trade secrets and corporate opportunities, and creditor or trustee claims in bankruptcy.

#### **Employment Practice Liability**

Employees can bring a cause of action against an employer challenging employment practices due to the legal and regulatory frameworks of our federal and state governments. We work with our clients to identify any potential exposures they may have and protect them from such claims as workplace harassment, wrongful termination, retaliatory discharge, discrimination, among others.

# Environmental

We have significant experience counseling and advising companies in the chemical and energy industries as to the environmental laws and regulations affecting their business. When plaintiffs bring environmental claims against companies, our team of litigation attorneys, in concert with our environmental attorneys, are uniquely suited to respond to these claims and defend our clients in these actions. Our team meets the legal service needs of manufacturers and companies involved with chemicals, oil, and gas and effectively represent those who seek to reduce proposed clean-up and other costs from insurance companies. We are as comfortable in the courtroom as we are at the negotiating table hammering out approved settlement packages.