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OVERVIEW

Judah Druck represents corporate and individual policyholders in insurance coverage and complex business disputes. His experience includes advising clients and litigating actions concerning coverage for product liabilities, environmental and toxic tort liabilities, directors and officers-related liabilities, first-party property loss, business interruption, cyber crime, and broker negligence. Judah co-chairs the Additional Insureds subcommittee of the American Bar Association Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee (ICLC), and has authored numerous articles, deskbook chapters, and CLE presentations on a variety of insurance topics.

Judah also maintains a robust commercial litigation practice spanning multiple industries and forums, ranging from representing investment banking firms in federal appeals, to representing medical device manufacturers in federal and state courts, to litigating putative class actions under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO). Judah's pro bono practice includes seeking orders for protection with The Tubman Pro Bono Safety Project and applications for asylum with The Advocates for Human Rights.

In addition to his firm work, Judah has become a mainstay in the legal publishing community, having written multiple articles for *Bench & Bar* and *The Hennepin Lawyer*, and been featured in *Minnesota Lawyer*. Judah is similarly active in the Twin Cities Jewish legal community, serving on board positions for the Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas (JCRC) and the Twin Cities Cardozo Society. Judah was recently given the Arthur T. Pfefer Memorial Award in recognition of his numerous efforts.

Before joining Maslon, Judah practiced at the New York office of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP. Judah is a *cum laude* graduate of Cornell Law School, where he served as an editor on the *Cornell Law Review* and a managing editor of the *Legal Information Institute Supreme Court Bulletin*. He also served as a judicial extern to the Honorable

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Litigation

- Business Litigation
- Insurance Recovery

BAR ADMISSIONS

Minnesota

New York

U.S. District Court

- Minnesota
- New York, E.D.
- New York, S.D.

U.S. Court of Appeals

- Second Circuit
- Eighth Circuit

EDUCATION

Cornell Law School
J.D., *cum laude*, 2013

Brandeis University
B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2010

William J. Martini of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

- Insurance coverage counsel for Fortune 100 manufacturing company regarding mass tort and environmental liabilities.
- Insurance coverage counsel for Fortune 5 company in recovery of insurance proceeds for liability arising from opioid MDL litigation.
- Insurance coverage counsel for top national health insurer seeking professional liability coverage arising from claims handling litigation.
- Representation of product manufacturer in coverage litigation seeking CGL coverage for underlying bodily injury lawsuits in California.
- Representation and counseling of business policyholders and franchisee in connection with employment and bodily injury claims in connection with alleged sexual assault.
- Obtained summary judgment for product manufacturer seeking multimillion dollar insurance recovery under stock-throughput policy and product recall policy. *Vanguard Soap, LLC v. Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's of London,* 677 F. Supp. 3d 760 (W.D. Tenn. 2023).
- *Navigators Specialty Insurance Company v. Depomed, Inc. n/k/a/ Assertio Therapeutics, Inc.* (N.D. Cal. 2019). Representation of opioid manufacturer seeking coverage under life sciences product liability policies for hundreds of opioid lawsuits brought as part of the nationwide opioid litigation.
- Insurance coverage counsel for health club chain related to claims against insurer for COVID-19 business interruption.
- Insurance coverage counsel for integrated healthcare system related to claims against insurer for COVID-19 business interruption.
- Represent Fortune 100 company in coverage dispute to obtain millions of dollars in property damage losses to nationwide chain store locations arising from the civil unrest in the aftermath of the George Floyd killing.
- Insurance coverage counsel for former owner and officer of energy trading company regarding broker's negligent procurement of D&O policy.
- Counsel for heavy equipment manufacturer against managers of corporate owned life insurance program (COLI) and associated broker-dealers.
- Insurance coverage counsel for industrial fan manufacturer regarding coverage under CGL policies.
- *Long v. Miller*, 2017 WL 1968630 (D. Minn. May 11, 2017). Represented former CEO of multimillion-dollar business in shareholder oppression and wrongful termination dispute. Successfully moved in federal court to compel private arbitration.

Pro Bono

- Pro bono representation of individual seeking coverage for apartment fire, referred by Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid; obtained complete payout and release.
- Pro bono representation of transgender woman facing potential deportation after fleeing anti-LGBTQ+ persecution in her home country, referred by The Advocates for Human Rights.
- Pro bono litigation regarding copper-sulfide mining project – Member of team of Maslon lawyers providing pro bono counsel to environmental organizations in several related and complex challenges to a copper-sulfide mine project proposed to be built within the Lake Superior watershed and in close proximity to the Boundary Waters. Representative case: *Matter of NorthMet Project Permit to Mine Application Dated December 2017*, 959 N.W.2d 731 (Minn. 2021).
- Pro bono representation of amici curiae American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota, League of Women Voters Minnesota, Jewish Community Action, Education Minnesota, and Project Vote in petition to the Supreme Court of Minnesota regarding voter eligibility dispute. Representative case: Minnesota Voters Alliance v. Simon, 885 N.W.2d 660 (Minn. 2016).

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY

- American Bar Association: Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee (ICLC), Subcommittee on Additional Insureds, Co-Chair 2022-Present
- Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas: Board Member 2022-Present
- Minneapolis Jewish Federation: Board Member 2024-Present
- Twin Cities Cardozo Society: Program Committee, Co-Chair 2022-Present, Member 2018-2022; Steering Committee, Member 2022-Present
- Congregation Darchei Noam: President 2021-2023
- The Advocates for Human Rights: Pro Bono Attorney Volunteer
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- Hennepin County Bar Association

SELECTED HONORS

- **Arthur T. Pfefer Memorial Award,** the Twin Cities Cardozo Society, 2023
- **Recognized on Minnesota Super Lawyers® list**, 2024-2026 (Minnesota Super Lawyers® is a designation given to only 5% of Minnesota attorneys each year, based on a selection process that includes the recommendation of peers in the legal profession.)
- **Recognized on Minnesota Rising Stars list as part of the Super Lawyers® selection process**, 2020-2023 (*Minnesota Rising Stars is a designation given to only 2.5% of Minnesota attorneys each year, based on a selection process that includes the recommendation of peers in the legal profession.*)
- **Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*®**, 2026-2027
- **Selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch**, 2021-2025 (*These awards recognize attorneys, who are earlier in their careers, for outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States.*)
- **Recognized as a Top Lawyer**, *Minnesota Monthly*, 2024 (The research for the Top Lawyers list, created by Professional Research Services, is based on an online peer-review survey sent to all attorneys in Minnesota.)
- **Attorney of the Year**, *Minnesota Lawyer*, 2019
- **North Star Lawyer**, Minnesota State Bar Association, 2018-2019 *(North Star Lawyer is a designation that recognizes members who provide 50 hours or more of pro bono legal services in a calendar year.)*

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- "Insurance Interception: Indemnity Strategies for Future-Proofing Against Nuclear Verdicts" and "Chain Reaction: Dealing with Insurers When Nuclear Verdicts Loom," panelist, ACC MN Third Annual Manufacturing Summit, 2026
- "Insurance, Accidents, and Policyholder Mental Incapacity: Proving Occurrence; Defeating Intentional Loss Exclusion," BARBRI, 2026
- "Managing Coverage, Liabilities, and Risk in Corporate Transactions," ACC MN Second Annual Manufacturing Summit Sponsored by Maslon, 2025
- "Insurance: Improve Your Insurance IQ – An Overview of Common Commercial Policy Forms and Basic Insurance Principles," webinar, Minnesota CLE, 2020
- Young Jewish Attorney Panel, Jewish Law Student Association - University of Minnesota, 2019

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- "Legal Quicksheet on Property and Liability Insurance in Commercial Real Estate Transactions," Minnesota CLE, 2026
- "Directors and Officers Liability Insurance," co-author, *Minnesota Insurance Law Deskbook*¸ Minnesota CLE, 2025
- Judah Druck Authors Article for American Bar Association on Defining 'Additional Insureds'

- "CGL Coverage for the Death Star: I Have a Bad Feeling About This," American Bar Association Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, 2023
- Featured in "Breaking the Ice: Community Work Earns Lawyer an Award," *Minnesota Lawyer*, 2023
- "Additional Insureds and Mutual Mistakes: The Difficulty of Post-Claim Reformation," American Bar Association, 2023
- "Live Wire: The law, Orthodox Judaism, and Minnesota's eruvim," *Bench & Bar*, 2023
- "What is kosher? From Moses to Minnesota: A brief history of Jewish dietary law and the state's courts," Bench & Bar, 2021
- Quick Reference: Property and Liability Insurance in Commercial Real Estate Transactions
- *Minnesota Insurance Law Deskbook, 5th Edition*, Minnesota CLE, 2021 Chapter Update