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JOHN B. ZAPPONE is an Associate at Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, LLP. He is a member of the Product Liability Practice Group.

Since joining the firm, Mr. Zappone has concentrated his practice in the area of product liability law, where he represents pharmaceutical, automotive, recreational vehicle, aircraft, and firearm manufacturers in state and federal courts throughout the country. Mr. Zappone also has experience in insurance defense and commercial litigation, as well as representing design professions against negligent misrepresentation claims made by general contractors and subcontractors in construction litigation.

Some of Mr. Zappone's representative matters include:

- Represented pharmaceutical manufacturer and successfully moved the court to dismiss plaintiff's complaint which alleged strict liability, negligence, breach of warranty, and fraud/misrepresentation claims
- Represented and obtained settlement for trucking company over a large property damage claim against another trucking company
- Represented recreational vehicle manufacturer in a crashworthiness case wherein the court found the plaintiff's complaint insufficient
- Represented out-of-state architectural firm in Pennsylvania-based lawsuit alleging negligent misrepresentation
- Represented industrial painting company in a professional liability action stemming from a fatal accident at a steel plant
- Represented various trucking companies in multiple Pennsylvania motor vehicle accidents

Mr. Zappone is a graduate of Duquesne University School of Law, where he received two CALI Awards for Excellence in Trial Advocacy and Federal Courts and the Federal System. Additionally, he received Outstanding Brief and Outstanding Oral Advocate awards for the appellate arguments held during the first year Legal Research and Writing course.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Zappone clerked for two years for the Honorable Ronald W. Folino in the Civil Division of the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, where he gained valuable knowledge spanning a wide range of issues and formed friendships with both attorneys and judges.

### **Bar Admissions**

Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court - Western District of Pennsylvania