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CLEM C. TRISCHLER is a partner at Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, LLP, and he serves as Chair of the firm's Product Liability Practice Group. Mr. Trischler's professional career is focused on the representation of manufacturer's in complex product-liability litigation. He has handled a wide range of personal-injury and class-action claims on behalf of manufacturers and suppliers of pharmaceutical, medical device, automotive, recreational, and consumer products. Because of his skilled advocacy, legal knowledge, and superior understanding of the technical issues presented in products-liability matters, Mr. Trischler has gained the confidence and trust of a vast array of product manufacturers. In fact, he represents a virtual Who's Who of companies, including the following:

- American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
- Hyundai Motor America
- Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations LLC
- Kawasaki Motor Corporation, U.S.A.
- Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc.
- Sun Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- Smith & Wesson Corp.
- Polaris Industries Inc.
- Suzuki Motor of America, Inc.
- Textron, Inc.
- Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A.

What sets Mr. Trischler's practice apart from others is that he does not just handle product liability cases . . . he tries them and wins them. The following is a representative sample of his recent trial record:

1. *Andrusis v. Microvention* – Obtained a directed verdict at trial on behalf of a medical-device manufacturer in a wrongful-death action filed following complications that arose during a neurosurgical procedure.
2. *Fraser v. Polaris Industries* – Obtained a defense verdict following a two-week trial in an all-terrain vehicle case that involved claims of design defect and failure to warn.
3. *Mardegan v. Mylan Pharmaceuticals* – Obtained a defense verdict in a wrongful-death case filed in the Southern District of Florida involving allegations of design and manufacturing defect in a transdermal fentanyl delivery system.
4. *Dolata v. Suzuki Motor Corp.* – Obtained a defense verdict in a sudden acceleration claim involving alleged design defects in the throttle system of a Suzuki ATV.
5. *Richardson v. Mylan Pharmaceuticals* – Obtained a defense verdict in a wrongful-death action brought against the manufacturer of an FDA-approved fentanyl transdermal delivery system. The defense verdict in Richardson was the first case in the nation ever successfully tried to verdict on behalf of a fentanyl patch

manufacturer.

6. *Williams v. Continental Tire North American, Inc.* – Obtained a defense verdict for a tire manufacturer in a multi-plaintiff personal-injury case asserting design and manufacturing defect claims following a tread separation event.

Mr. Trischler's practice is national in scope. He has tried cases to verdict in state and federal courts in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, New Jersey, California, Florida, Arkansas, and elsewhere. In addition, as part of his role as national coordinating counsel for several manufacturers, he has litigated products-liability matters in over forty (40) states.

Beyond his successful litigation practice, Mr. Trischler has extensive experience in counseling clients on the preparation of on-product warnings and safety literature. He has reviewed and assisted in the preparation of owner's manuals and related safety communications. He has worked with clients on matters before the Consumer Products Safety Commission, and has worked with a number of clients on the implementation of product recall campaigns. In addition, Mr. Trischler has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Pittsburgh Law School.

## **Bar Admissions**

Pennsylvania

West Virginia

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court - Western District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court - Colorado

U.S. District Court - Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. District Court - Western District of Michigan

U.S. District Court - Northern District of West Virginia

U.S. District Court - Southern District of West Virginia

U.S. District Court - Eastern District of Wisconsin