Fields Howell LLP

Motor Carrier

Driven to Defend in a High-Stakes Industry

Motor carrier liability claims often involve severe injuries, layered liability, and detailed regulatory oversight. At Fields Howell, we help insurers and transportation companies navigate these high-risk claims with precision and experience. Our attorneys routinely defend against allegations of negligence in hiring, training, supervision, vehicle maintenance, and compliance with Department of Transportation (DOT) standards. We understand the reputational and financial risks these cases carry and build strong, fact-based defenses to mitigate exposure.

We are well-versed in the unique litigation issues that arise in trucking cases, including multi-party disputes, overlapping coverage, and jurisdictional challenges. Our team is adept at defending insurers who are named directly in legal actions arising from accidents, a common tactic in states with direct action statutes. Whether the claim involves a domestic fleet, a foreign carrier, or a layered coverage arrangement, we develop coordinated discovery and trial strategies that reflect both the operational realities of the trucking industry and the legal demands of the courtroom.

Beyond litigation, we also counsel insurers and carriers on risk management practices, training protocols, and policy structure to minimize the likelihood of future claims. Our attorneys regularly mediate high-value disputes and are always prepared to take a case to trial when necessary. With experience in defending everything from minor collisions to catastrophic highway incidents, Fields Howell delivers practical, strategic representation across every mile.

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