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David is a skilled litigator and trial lawyer. With over 20 years of experience representing clients in high-stakes and high-profile disputes, David represents a range of multinational and mid-sized companies in federal and state courts throughout the United States.

Known for his thoughtful and practical approach to dispute resolution, David combines meticulous case preparation with a deep understanding of his clients' business and legal objectives. David has a particular focus on representing companies in the hospitality, payments, manufacturing, energy, and pharmaceutical and life sciences industries in direct and putative class action disputes that typically involve claims related to breach of contract, business torts, unfair business practices, data privacy, TCPA and unclaimed property issues.

David also devotes a significant portion of his practice to representing lawyers and law firms. In addition to serving as outside general counsel to small and mid-sized firms, David is frequently called upon by law firms or individual lawyers to represent them in partnership disputes, lawyer departure disputes, fee disputes and professional responsibility matters.

### Services

- Litigation
- Class Actions
- Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)
- International Arbitration
- Law Firm Defense & Risk Management
- Securities Industry
- Fintech & Digital Assets
- Incident Response & Privacy Litigation

### Select Matters

- Defense of global packaging company against putative class action arising from an alleged data security incident.
- Defense and prosecution of claims on behalf of nationally recognized trial lawyer and law firm arising from dispute with former employees.
- Defense of law firm against claim that it settled wrongful death action without client consent.
- Defense and prosecution of claims on behalf of real estate developer and landlord arising from lease dispute with commercial tenant.
- Defense of claims on behalf of regional title company arising from allegedly fraudulent wire transfer.

- Prosecution of claims for breach of contract and fraud on behalf of payment services company arising from marketing agreement.
- Defense of national transportation network company against alleged wrongful death claims.
- Prosecution of claims on behalf of global industrial fluids company against former employee and former employee's new employer arising from employment agreement.
- Defense of national real estate services company against claims arising from an alleged data security incident.
- Defense of global pharmaceutical company against claims for payment of royalties pursuant to drug development and marketing agreement.
- Defense of global hospitality company against claims for breach of parking management agreement arising from the purchase of real property and construction of hotel.
- Defense of a global pharmaceutical company against claim for breach of a license and supply agreement by generic pharmaceutical manufacturer.
- Defense of payment services company and national bank against claims for breach of contract and conversion.

[View a full list of representative matters.](#)

## Before Fox Rothschild

David began his legal career at Fox Rothschild. He was a summer associate at the firm during law school and he has been with the firm ever since.

In law school, David spent two years as a member of the Villanova University School of Law Moot Court Board.

In college, David was an intern for a United States Senator.

## Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

## Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

## Education

- Villanova University School of Law (J.D.)
- Kenyon College (B.A.)

## Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Philadelphia Bar Association

## Representative Matters

- Defense of global packaging company against putative class action arising from an alleged data security incident. (C.D. Cal.) (2025)
- Defense and prosecution of claims on behalf of nationally recognized trial lawyer and law firm arising from dispute with former employees. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2024-2025)
- Defense of law firm against claim that it settled wrongful death action without client consent. (W.D. Pa.) (2024)
- Defense and prosecution of claims on behalf of real estate developer and landlord arising from lease dispute with commercial tenant. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2023-2024)

- Defense of claims on behalf of regional title company arising from allegedly fraudulent wire transfer. (Duval County, FL) (2023-2024)
- Defense of law firm and lawyer against claim for significant monetary sanctions in connection with underlying litigation matter. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2023)
- Defense of law firm against claims arising from alleged conflict of interest asserted by global promoter of live events. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2022-2025)
- Defense of national transportation network company against alleged wrongful death claims. (C.C.P. Allegheny) (2022-2023)
- Defense of national real estate services company against claims arising from an alleged data security incident. (D.N.J.) (2021-2023)
- Prosecution of claims on behalf of law firm arising from dispute with former employee and former employee's new firm. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2021-2022)
- Defense and prosecution of claims on behalf of national real estate services company arising from master services agreement for the design, configuration and deployment of software solution. (CPR) (2020-2021)
- Prosecution of claims on behalf of global industrial fluids company against former employee and former employee's new employer arising from employment agreement. (E.D. Pa.) (2020)
- Defense of global pharmaceutical company against claims for payment of royalties pursuant to drug development and marketing agreement. (D.N.J.) (2019-2021)
- Defense and prosecution of claims on behalf of nationally recognized law firm arising from dispute with former partner. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2019-2020)
- Defense of global hospitality company against claims for breach of parking management agreement arising from the purchase of real property and construction of hotel. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2018-2020)
- Defense of global pharmaceutical company against claim for contractual indemnification arising from underlying Lanham Act litigation. (C.C.P. Phila.) (2018-2019)
- Defense of global hospitality company in putative class action under Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act. (S.D. Fla.) (2017-2018)
- Defense of a global pharmaceutical company against claim for breach of a license and supply agreement by generic pharmaceutical manufacturer. (AAA) (2015-2018)
- Defense of payment services company and national bank against claims for breach of contract and conversion. (Queens County, NY) (2013-2017)
- Defense of a global pharmaceutical company against claims by a national pharmacy arising out of a pharmaceutical supply agreement. (AAA) (2015-2017)
- Defense of law firm against purported claim for violations of Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. (E.D. Pa., 3rd Cir.) (2013-2015)
- Defense of payment services company in putative class action arising from merchant processing agreements. (E.D.N.Y.) (2011-2014)
- Prosecution of claims for breach of contract and fraud on behalf of payment services company arising from marketing agreement. (D. Mont.) (2014)
- Defense of claim for breach of contract related to architectural and design services allegedly performed. (N.D. Ala.) (2012)
- Defense of payment services company against claims for breach of contract and fraudulent inducement. (W.D.N.Y.) (2012)
- Defense of national bank against claims for conversion, conspiracy and breach of fiduciary duty related to merchant processing account. (Oakland County, MI) (2012)
- Negotiated recovery of 100% of unpaid invoices (approximately \$2 million) under manufacturing and supply agreement without filing lawsuit, on behalf of a global pharmaceutical company. (2011)
- Prosecution of claims arising out of a license agreement on behalf of a global pharmaceutical and vision care company. (ICDR) (2011)
- Defense of payment services company against constitutional tort and defamation claims based upon statements allegedly made to the United States Secret Service. (E.D.N.Y.) (2008-2011)
- Defense and prosecution of claims arising from the business combination between Merck & Co., Inc. and Schering-Plough Corp. and related to a "change of control" provision in a distribution agreement. (ICDR) (2009-2011)
- Defense of claims premised upon a teaming agreement for the design, development and implementation of a Medicaid Management Information System. (AAA) (2009-2010)
- Prosecution of claims under license and distribution agreement for access to second-generation technology and follow-on drug, on behalf of global pharmaceutical company. (ICDR) (2005-2006)

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Results may vary depending on your particular facts and legal circumstances.

## Honors & Awards

- **Selected to the *Chambers USA* list of ranked attorneys for Litigation: General Commercial in Pennsylvania (2010, 2023-2025)**  
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- **Selected to the “Super Lawyers” list for Business Litigation in Pennsylvania (2013-2017)**  
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- **Selected to the “Super Lawyers - Rising Stars” list for Business Litigation in Pennsylvania (2006-2008, 2010, 2011)**  
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