



# Stephan A. Cornell

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Stephan is an experienced commercial litigator who represents businesses and individuals in state and federal courts throughout the country.

With experience on both sides of the litigation bar, Stephan understands how plaintiffs' firms assess cases and the tactics they employ at the settlement table and at trial. He leverages that knowledge to benefit his business clients. Stephan handles complex commercial cases for clients ranging from Fortune 500 corporations to individuals on a variety of claims, including:

- Antitrust and unfair competition
- Insurance coverage and bad faith
- Contract disputes
- Trademark and copyright infringement
- Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO)
- Consumer class actions
- Whistleblower
- Adversary bankruptcy proceedings
- Business torts.

## Services

- Litigation
- Class Actions
- E-Discovery

## Representative Matters

- Part of a team of attorneys who successfully defended a pharmaceutical distributor in landmark litigation brought by plaintiffs seeking to hold such companies liable for harms caused by their relatives' opioid abuse under the Georgia Drug Dealer Liability Act.
- Served on a litigation team that secured summary judgment of antitrust and Lanham Act counterclaims totaling \$250 million for the premier global payment processing company.
- Represented a national university in a high-profile whistleblower and wrongful discharge litigation.
- Served on a trial team litigating a nationwide constellation of complex and putative class antitrust and RICO actions brought by auto body repair shops against the country's largest auto insurers, *In re Auto Body Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 2557 (M.D. Fla.).

- Part of a team retained after trial to prepare post-trial motions and the appeal of a \$42 million adverse jury verdict.

### Before Fox Rothschild

Stephan has worked as commercial litigation associate for a large Philadelphia-based law firm, an attorney with a prominent Philadelphia personal injury firm and a law clerk to the Honorable Arthur L. Zulick.

While at Wake Forest University School of Law, Stephan served on the Moot Court Board, worked for the *Wake Forest Law Review* and was a research assistant to Alan Palmiter, professor of corporate law and securities regulation. Under North Carolina's third-year practice rule, Stephan briefed constitutional issues in the federal criminal case arising from the kidnapping and murder of the University of North Carolina's student body president, defended one of the nation's leading commercial banks in a securities fraud action and tried more than 50 criminal cases to the bench.

Stephan received his bachelor's degree *magna cum laude* from Villanova University, where he was a member of the varsity track team and was elected to *Phi Beta Kappa*.

### Beyond Fox Rothschild

Stephan serves as a mentor with the Posse Foundation, a national nonprofit organization that works with institutions of higher education to provide scholarships and leadership training, and volunteers as a judge for local mock-trial competitions.

### Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania

### Education

- Wake Forest University (J.D., 2010)
- Villanova University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2006)

### Honors & Awards

- Named to the "Pennsylvania Rising Stars" list for Business Litigation by *Super Lawyers* (2019-2023)