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Brian Paszamant has more than 25 years of experience representing clients in complex commercial litigation. He has served these clients in areas including:

- Commercial torts
- Corporate—contract disputes, mergers, and acquisitions
- Intellectual property
- Non-competition
- Trade secrets
- Bankruptcy-related litigation
- Real estate litigation
- Appellate litigation

Brian is a member of the firm’s Commercial Litigation practice group, ranked by *U.S. News and World Report* as Tier 1 National, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C., in its “**Best Law Firms**” rankings for the last several years.

Select Engagements

- Publicly traded branding company; jury awarded \$43.8 million in compensatory damages and \$5 million in punitive damages in a “hotly contested” litigation involving breach of contract and fiduciary duty, trademark infringement, conversion, and other claims; subsequent \$8.31 million fee and cost award; client entitled to \$95.5 million in value following appeal. ([Click here for opinion](#))
- Regional healthcare system and law firm co-defendants; jury returned a defense verdict in litigation involving malicious prosecution and abuse of process claims; upheld on appeal. ([Click here for opinion](#))

- Publicly traded regional utility in securing summary judgment and complete dismissal of \$25 million breach of contract claim.
- Regional real estate developer in securing the vacation of a \$15.7 million judgment entered pursuant to an arbitration award. ([Click here for opinion](#))
- Regional real estate developer in securing denial of \$8+ million interest request; affirmed on appeal. ([Click here for opinions](#))
- Publicly traded biosciences company; dismissal of fraud and negligent misrepresentation claims (all claims) brought by the company's former CEO and President, seeking \$23.3 million in damages; upheld on appeal.
- Co-founder and 50 percent owner of privately-held regional produce distribution company in a \$24.6 million settlement of shareholder/breach of fiduciary duty litigation (client entitled to entirety of settlement amount). ([Click here for opinion](#))
- Publicly traded medical device company; secured complete withdrawal of all claims brought by a former company Director including claims pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act.
- Regional real estate developer; secured complete early withdrawal of all claims brought by a homeowners association, including claims of fraud, seeking \$3 million in damages.
- Representation of the majority leader of the Pennsylvania Senate in connection with state and federal reapportionment efforts; plan approved by Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and injunction denied by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and affirmed by Court of Appeals. ([Click here for opinions](#))
- Multiple representations of the President Pro Tempore of the Pennsylvania Senate in connection with political gerrymandering challenges to the Commonwealth's Congressional Districts; secured complete dismissal of an action commenced before a three-judge panel in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania ([click here for opinions and article](#)); secured favorable findings of fact and conclusions of law from the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania.
- Representation of President Pro Tempore of the Pennsylvania Senate and 17 additional Senators in connection with a challenge to the constitutionality of Pennsylvania's so-called "Coverage Ban." Successful intervention in that action. ([Click here for opinion](#))
- Representations of psychologists involved in creating and implementing the CIA's Enhanced Interrogation Technique Program in connection with claims pursuant to the Federal Alien Tort Statute; complete dismissal. ([Click here for opinion and here for article](#))
- Additional representation of psychologists involved in creating and implementing the CIA's Enhanced Interrogation Technique Program in connection with claims pursuant to the Federal Alien Tort Statute. ([Click here for articles](#))
- Private equity firms; prosecution of \$30+ million claims for breach of representation/warranty and fraud.
- Institutional investor; secured denial of a preliminary injunction seeking to prevent the foreclosure on real property in satisfaction of a \$14.875 million deficiency, as well as subsequent complete dismissal of action.

- Publicly traded financial services software provider in successful defense of \$13.6 million breach of contract action. ([Click here for opinions](#))
- Publicly traded branding company; prosecution of and \$1 million settlement in federal litigation involving breach of contract, trademark infringement and fraudulent transfer claims.
- Publicly traded branding company in complete dismissal of \$9.25 million breach of stock option agreement claim.
- Regional advertising agency; summary dismissal of \$1.4 million "earn out" claim brought by the sellers of an entity previously acquired by the advertising agency.
- Publicly traded aerospace and defense company; complete dismissal of \$7.5 million breach of contract claim initiated by international defense contractor.
- National traffic control and protection service company; prosecution of \$11+ million breach of representation/warranty claims.
- National traffic control and protection service company; complete dismissal of breach of contract action.
- Regional real estate developer in litigation involving claims arising from failed \$40 million sale transaction, including overcoming motions for summary judgment, reconsideration and certification of interlocutory appeal. ([Click here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) for opinions)
- Regional real estate developer in defense of million dollar judgment; complete dismissal of petition to open judgment; dismissal affirmed and allocator denied. ([Click here for opinions](#))
- Regional real estate developer in securing injunction of improperly commenced multi-million dollar arbitration proceeding and associated award of attorney's fees and costs. ([Click here for opinion](#))
- NBA basketball player in litigation involving endorsement contract.
- Investment banks, as plaintiffs, in litigations involving non-payment of fees, including \$800,000 settlement of action for non-payment of fees (client entitled to entirety of settlement amount).
- Condominium owner, as plaintiff, in water/mold damage litigation, resulting in \$1.42 million settlement (client entitled to entirety of settlement amount).
- Co-op purchaser, in declaratory judgment litigation, resulting in judgment that co-op board had exceeded its authority in enacting a policy aimed at preventing purchase of co-op; upheld on appeal. ([Click here for opinion](#))
- Representation of multiple real estate developers in connection with zoning appeals.

Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court - Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court - New Jersey
- U.S. District Court - Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court - Middle District of Pennsylvania

- U.S. District Court - Southern District of New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Memberships

- Philadelphia Bar Association
- Har Zion Temple

Education

- Brandeis University, BA, cum laude
- Villanova University School of Law, JD

Recognitions

- 2017, "Leadership Excellence Award," presented by the Pennsylvania Diversity Council

Professional Activities

Brian is a member of the Har Zion Temple Board of Directors and Budget Committee, and also serves as its counsel.