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Rebecca Ward concentrates her practice in general commercial litigation. She represents a variety of litigants in both state and federal court, with a focus in products liability, trusts & estates litigation, corporate acquisitions/mergers, trade secrets theft, disputes with former executive employees, and First Amendment issues.

Outside The Firm

Rebecca serves as a Pennsylvania poll-worker every primary and general election at her local polling place.

Select Engagements

- Unanimous defense verdict in the first Philadelphia talc products liability trial for Johnson & Johnson.
- Successful summary judgment against plaintiffs who made a \$600 million claim involving theories about alleged effects of violent video games for a publicly traded video game manufacturer.
- High-profile proceedings for a publicly traded medical device manufacturer in matters that received national media attention.
- Leading defense industry contractors in trade secret and intellectual property disputes, and indemnity claims arising from corporate acquisitions/mergers.
- A leading supplier of financial accounting software, in a dispute arising from a corporate acquisition.
- A publicly traded biosciences company; dismissal of fraud and negligent misrepresentation claims brought by the company's former CEO and President.

- International consulting firm serving the private sector, funding organizations and NGOs in emerging markets.
- Individual clients in intra-family corporate and trust transactions.
- A leading commercial real estate lender, in dispute arising from luxury condominium development.

Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court - Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- Illinois
- U.S. District Court - Northern District of Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Memberships

- Philadelphia Bar Association
- Bar Association of the Third Federal Circuit
- Pennsylvania Bar Association

Education

- University of Chicago, BA
- University of Chicago Law School, JD

Recognitions

2023–2024, Appellate Practice, listed in *Best Lawyers in America*©

Professional Activities

Rebecca is a past member of the Board of the SeniorLaw Center. She serves as a volunteer arbitrator for the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.