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Matthew D'Annunzio, a principal and shareholder at Offit Kurman, represents businesses and entrepreneurs in complex commercial litigation matters and advises them as outside general counsel in all aspects of their operations. He has consistently won high-stakes litigation in his national practice due to his strategic analytical abilities on motions and appellate briefs, as well as his trial skills before judges and juries.

Matthew further serves as national coordinating counsel with respect to tort, indemnification, and insurance issues. He has advised clients and litigated and resolved disputes concerning contracts, finance, business fraud, shareholders, partnerships, unfair competition, indemnification and insurance, bankruptcy, real estate, employment, estates and trusts, and trade secrets.

His clients engage in various industries, including manufacturing, construction, architecture, solar, information technology, banking and finance, real estate, energy, and bioenergy.

Matthew also represents plaintiffs through jury trial in matters involving catastrophic injury and loss of life, including product liability and medical malpractice cases.

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law (J.D.)
- Yale University (B.A., *cum laude*)

State Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Services

- Insurance Recovery
- Toxic and Mass Tort Litigation
- Creditors' Rights
- Commercial Litigation
- Business Advisory and Outside General Counsel

Professional Affiliations

- Offit Kurman Management Compensation Committee, Member
- Yale Alumni Schools Committee, Member
- Partner and Outside General Counsel, My Wine Guide
- Mid-Atlantic Finance Committee for Barack Obama Presidential Campaign
- Democratic National Credentials Committee, 2008
- Friends Select Capital Campaign, Co-Chair
- Angel Flight East Member and Board of Directors
- U.S. Senator Bob Casey Finance Committee

Matthew also participates in Yale Alumni affairs and has served on the Yale Alumni Schools Committee, interviewing candidates for Yale University. Additionally, Matthew and Offit Kurman are annual supporters of the Philadelphia Orchestra Gala Opening Celebration.

Recognitions

- Philadelphia Top 100 Go-To Attorney, SmartCEO Magazine's Legal Elite
- Philadelphia Top Legal Lateral Hire, The Legal Intelligencer
- Super Lawyer, Pennsylvania Super Lawyers, 2015-2018

Representative Matters

- Served as national coordinating counsel for a conglomerate of manufacturing companies concerning commercial litigation and toxic tort claims.
- Defeated two causes of action by SunEdison in its bankruptcy, claiming \$12m for fraudulent conveyance and preferences filed against a New Jersey-based solar energy company and a California solar construction contractor.
- Advised a world-renowned architecture firm regarding all aspects of their business, including contract, litigation, employment, and partnership issues.
- Served as outside general counsel for My Wine Guide, a Silicon Valley startup on corporate, patent, and trademark issues.
- Represented solar construction company in claims and counterclaims arising from a public solar project in New York.
- Defended action against a utility for breach of contract and breach of fiduciary duty involving a joint venture in a natural gas/steam co-gen plant involving a \$500m damage claim.
- Represented Penn State University's Head Football Trainer in various matters arising out of the death of a student at a fraternity house.
- Obtained dismissal of action asserting claims for indemnification under asset purchase agreement for the sale of a manufacturing division with respect to 20,000 toxic tort

claims filed against the purchaser.

- Obtained summary dismissal of multiple actions in bankruptcy and state courts asserting \$6m in fraud claims against an investor taking an assignment of a mortgage and confessed judgments on guarantees.
- Defended load control ultrasonic technology company against minority shareholders' claims concerning corporate actions.
- Advised concerning litigation, indemnification, and insurance implications of the sale of a manufacturing division engaged in the production of industrial chemical mixers.
- Obtained injunction on behalf of a software company against key employee seeking to work for competitor.
- Represented chemical company in trade secret action against former employee and foreign competitor in action for misappropriation of a formula for acid inhibitor used in steel manufacturing, with cross-border litigation.
- Compelled Instagram to take down an imposter website disparaging a company and portraying it in a false light.
- Represented family asserting wrongful death and survival act claims due to the death of seven-year-old Joshua Foster in a fire caused by a defective floor fan and for injuries and emotional distress suffered by his mother and sister, resulting in a jury verdict of \$13.5M. *Loretta Foster Thompson et al. v. Lasko Products Inc.* (April Term 2007, No. 000391, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County). Jury Reaches \$13.5 Mil. Verdict in Products Case.
- Represented parents and their infant in medical malpractice action for obstetrical negligence resulting in brain injuries causing cerebral palsy resolved by a multimillion-dollar settlement at trial.
- Prevailed in Orphans' Court trial in defending an estate against a multimillion-dollar claim.
- Obtained Federal Court order dismissing claims of successor liability against a manufacturing company under a "product-line exception" for historic products distributed by the company from whom it purchased assets.
- Obtained a multimillion-dollar recovery for parents' loss of a child in a drowning.
- Advised conglomerate of companies as to all aspects of pandemic-related insurance and liability issues.
- Represent manufacturing companies in maintaining primary coverage and \$300m levels of excess coverage for nationwide toxic tort claims.

Publications & News

July 14, 2025

Offit Kurman Sponsors Yale Club of Philadelphia Presentation Featuring Architect

Stephen Kieran

May 27, 2025

Offit Kurman Attorneys Secure Patent for My Wine Guide®