



Gene Novak

Of Counsel

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Gene Novak is an accomplished attorney specializing in high-stakes personal injury litigation and insurance defense. His practice spans a wide range of practice areas, including the defense of claims related to premises liability, product liability, professional negligence, and labor law disputes. A focused and detail-oriented advocate, Gene is proficient in all phases of litigation, effectively handling motion practice, oral arguments, depositions, trial preparation, and settlement negotiations. He skillfully manages complex cases from inception through resolution, delivering strategic and effective representation for his clients.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Gene worked at a national Am Law 100 firm, where he gained extensive experience handling personal injury claims and various construction litigation. Previously, he practiced at an established firm in Brooklyn, New York, specializing in insurance defense and coverage matters. Admitted to the New York Bar in 2016, Gene brings a comprehensive background to his practice at the firm.

Education

- University at Buffalo School of Law (LL.M., 2015)
- Oleh Honchar Dnipro National University Law School (LL.B.; LL.M, 2008)

Bar Admissions

- New York

Awards & Honors

Selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America in the areas of Litigation – Construction and Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, 2024–2026.

Services

- Complex Tort & General Casualty

Languages

- Russian
- Ukrainian

Representative Matters

Prevailed on a motion for summary judgment, securing dismissal of all claims brought against a general contractor client who was hired by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to repair several New York City station platforms. This contractual and common law indemnity case arose from a jobsite accident in which the plaintiff allegedly fell into a hole and sustained injuries.