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Irena Maier is a determined and knowledgeable defense litigator. She handles a wide range of civil litigation, from insurance defense and premises liability matters to employment and complex medical malpractice cases. Irena acts as monitoring counsel for various professional and management lines of insurance, including lawyers' professional liability, miscellaneous professional liability, and directors & officers (D&O) liability.

Dedicated to achieving her clients' goals, Irena is committed to resolving claims efficiently and cost-effectively. She is known for her knowledge of complex legal issues, persuasive writing, and skilled negotiation tactics. With a strategic outlook toward securing excellent results for clients, Irena is a successful advocate both in and out of the courtroom.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Irena gained valuable experience representing plaintiffs at a boutique personal injury firm. Her plaintiff-side work enables Irena to bring insight into how plaintiffs assess various cases in developing effective defense strategies. Irena is a member of the Raymond E. Baldwin American Inn of Court, an association of lawyers and judges who share a passion for professional excellence.

Education

- Boston College Law School (J.D., 2021)
 - Public Interest Designation Fellow and Pro Bono Scholar
- Yale University (B.S., 2018)
 - Honors in Psychology

Bar Admissions

- Connecticut

Services

- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Employment & Labor
- Insurance & Reinsurance Coverage
- Lawyers' Liability
- Medical Malpractice & Health Care
- Workers' Compensation

Professional Affiliations

- Fairfield County Bar Association
- Raymond E. Baldwin American Inn of Court

Languages

- French
- Spanish
- Romanian

Publications

October 31, 2023

Brown and Maier Co-Author Article on Innovative Preparations for ‘Black Swan’ Climate Disasters

Law360’s Expert Analysis

Client Wins

Brown and Maier Defeat Legal Malpractice Claim on Summary Judgment

Stephen Brown (Partner-Stamford) and Irena Maier (Associate-Stamford) secured summary judgment in the Superior Court of Connecticut, Hartford Judicial District, on behalf of Wilson Elser’s client, a Connecticut attorney. In this legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty action, the plaintiff claimed that our client, who represented the plaintiff in an underlying product liability matter, failed to file a timely objection to a summary judgment motion, resulting in the dismissal of the case. Irena and Steve moved for summary judgment on both counts, arguing that the plaintiff could not establish that he would have prevailed in the underlying action – an essential element of the plaintiff’s claims. In support of their motion, the Stamford team relied on the plaintiff’s deposition testimony in the present case and the expert disclosures from the underlying matter, and submitted additional moving papers addressing the plaintiff’s counterarguments. The Court agreed with Steve and Irena’s arguments, finding that the record was devoid of evidence supporting a rational inference that the plaintiff would have succeeded in the underlying case, and granted the motion for summary judgment in its entirety.