



## Jonathan E. Meer

Partner

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Jonathan Meer is highly experienced in the area of insurance coverage, including monitoring and coverage determinations. He maintains a particular concentration in coverage for directors and officers (D&O), with an emphasis on the growing area of D&Os in cannabis companies; professional errors and omissions (E&O); lawyers (LPL); employment practices; and cyber liability programs.

Cochair of the firm's Insurance Industry Consulting & Drafting Committee, Jonathan represents the interests of primary and excess insurers based in the United States, China, London and Bermuda in high-exposure claims against directors and officers of public and private companies, nonprofit boards, financial institutions and insurance companies. He has addressed claims related to shareholder class actions seeking multimillion-dollar damages against public companies and their directors and officers, as well as other high-profile fraud cases involving a variety of issues.

In addition, Jonathan's litigation practice focuses on commercial litigation and professional liability. He has experience with matters arising under E&O policies covering attorneys, co-op boards, software developers, engineers, property owners, real estate professionals, consultants, agents, and other professionals. Jonathan also handles employment matters involving all types of discrimination and harassment, retaliation and wrongful termination claims. Further, Jonathan regularly provides defense, advice and counseling to a number of clients on fair housing matters and assists in developing fair housing-related policies and procedures.

Jonathan is active in the insurance industry, serving as a mentor for female professionals in The Bridge Transcend program, a D&O Trend Advisor for the Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS), and longtime chair of the New York City Bar Association's D&O insurance event. He has spoken at multiple in-person and online events in recent years, including programs sponsored by the Claims and Litigation Management Alliance

### Services

- Asia
- Israel
- Cannabis Law
- Class Action
- Commercial Litigation
- Contractual/Extra-Contractual Liability Litigation
- Cybersecurity & Data Privacy
- Cyber Liability
- Directors & Officers
- e-Discovery
- Employment & Labor
- Employment Practices Liability
- Fair Housing & Discrimination Claims
- General Liability
- Insurance & Reinsurance

(CLM), ExecuSummit, and the Brokers & Reinsurance Markets Association. In addition, Jonathan is the author of the definitive chapter on D&O liability exposure in the United States for the Globe Law and Business publication *Directors' Liability and Indemnification: A Global Guide*.

### **Directors & Officers Liability**

Jonathan has successfully participated in mediation and litigation of D&O and other insurance coverage disputes. He regularly represents D&O insurers as coverage and monitoring counsel in complex shareholder class actions against public companies and their directors and officers for violations of federal securities laws and in shareholder derivative suits against directors and officers for breach of fiduciary duty and mismanagement in the context of mergers and acquisitions and other business transactions. Jonathan advises insurance companies and claims administrators on all coverage issues, including those involving excess insurance, extra-contractual liability, policy language, conflicts of laws, reinsurance, co-insurance, rescission, misrepresentation and the interplay of other insurance clauses.

### **Employment Practices Liability**

Jonathan's practice includes employment matters in the courts and before federal, state and local agencies. Such services include direct representation of clients and litigating, mediating and negotiating favorable resolutions of EEOC charges and civil actions involving a wide range of claims for violations of state and federal employment laws, including claims alleging gender, age and race discrimination under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, wrongful termination, sexual harassment and retaliation claims.

### **Professional Liability**

Jonathan's litigation practice includes the defense of liability actions against a variety of professionals and representation of professionals in general business disputes in miscellaneous E&O claims. Jonathan has diverse experience handling all aspects of claims and litigation assessment, management and resolution.

### **Cyber Liability, Data Privacy & Security**

Jonathan continues to develop his proficiency in a wide range of cyber liability matters, representing primary and excess insurers as coverage and monitoring counsel in connection with first-party and third-party claims under cyber liability insurance policies. His practice also addresses insurance coverage with respect to data security and privacy protection and coverage for technology errors and omissions.

### **Education**

- Rutgers School of Law (J.D., 2006)
- Cornell University (M.P.A., 2003)
- Cornell University (A.B., 2002)
  - cum laude

### **Bar Admissions**

Coverage

- Monitoring/Supervisory Counsel
- Professional Liability Coverage
- Program Management
- Real Estate Professionals

- New York
- New Jersey

### **Court Admissions**

- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Western District of New York

### **Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
- Insurance Law Committee Member, New York City Bar Association

### **Awards & Honors**

- Selected for inclusion in *New York Metro Super Lawyers®* in the Insurance Coverage category, 2025
- Ranked in the Chambers USA Guide: 2025, New York – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer
- Selected for inclusion in The Legal 500 United States in Insurance: Advice to Insurers Tier 3, 2024-2025
- Selected for inclusion in The Legal 500 United States in Cannabis Tier 4, 2024
- Ranked in the Chambers USA Guide: 2024, Up and Coming – New York – Insurance
- Selected for inclusion in The Legal 500 - Insurance Tier 4, 2023
- AV® Preeminent™ Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Selected for inclusion in *Super Lawyers New York Rising Stars*, 2013-2020