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Larry Lum has extensive trial experience in high-exposure cases involving catastrophic injury and wrongful death claims in New York and other state and federal courts throughout the country. Larry and his team are regularly designated as trial counsel for clients on their most difficult cases in volatile jurisdictions.

The nation's leading sports and business enterprises regularly trust Larry to defend their interests in complex, high-exposure bodily injury and property loss claims. His clients include Major League Baseball (MLB), National Basketball Association (NBA), National Hockey League (NHL), Goldman Sachs, Viacom and its MTV and Paramount Pictures divisions, Abbott Laboratories, Vornado Realty Trust and Sony. Through his work with the professional sports leagues, Larry has represented every franchise and arena in the NBA and NHL, including the New York Knicks and New York Rangers and Madison Square Garden.

Larry also has significant experience with the defense of human trafficking claims and other cases of human exploitation. He has handled matters in several states where human trafficking was either improperly profiled or suspected (leading to discrimination claims) or subject to FBI investigations for all the major multinational brands and licensors. As such, he is keenly familiar with their policies.

Larry also focuses on developing trends in the employer liability area relating to employee health and safety concerns. He represents and provides counsel to professional sports franchises and insurers with respect to workplace safety initiatives and statutory liability issues, including cumulative trauma claims, enforceability of contractual arbitration and stop-loss coverage disputes.

Complex Tort & General Casualty

Larry defends national owners and operators of commercial properties, including shopping

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complexes and major retail chain stores, in premises liability cases. He has taken dozens of jury verdicts in New York state and federal courts in premises liability cases involving catastrophic injury claims such as wrongful death; quadriplegia/paraplegia; reflex sympathetic dystrophy, compartment syndrome and other complex neurological injuries; disfigurement and burns; amputations; and significant disabilities.

As part of his general liability practice, Larry represents MLB, the NBA, and the NHL, their member teams, and their affiliated arenas and stadiums in various matters throughout the country. He has established seminal case law in New York regarding spectators' assumption of risk for injuries sustained at professional hockey games. He has represented many of the sports leagues, franchises and arenas for more than two decades.

In addition, Larry represents international restaurant chains, major franchise operators and bars in connection with national restaurant liability programs encompassing claims ranging from foodborne illness to Dram Shop issues.

Larry's product liability experience includes the defense of manufacturers of automated teller machines and bank safes, refuse trucks and compactors, hydraulic lift gates, elevators and escalators, food preparation machines, and industrial chemicals and enzymes. Larry also has developed a concentration in the defense of tractor-trailer carriers in local and interstate trucking matters.

Education

- Albany Law School (J.D., 1986)
- Stony Brook University (B.A., 1983)

Bar Admissions

- New York
- Nevada

Court Admissions

- 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
- Supreme Court of Nevada

Professional Affiliations

- Real Estate and Hospitality Client Advisory Board (Leading Global Insurer), Guest Speaker, 2012–2017
- Sompo Global Risk Solutions Client Advisory Board, Guest Speaker, 2017–2018
- American Hotel & Lodging Association Risk Management Committee, Guest Speaker,

2016–2018

- Watchtower, Risk Management, Legal and Treasury Education Committee, Guest Speaker, 2014–2018
- Continuing Legal Education, Certified Presenter (Emerging Risks for Spectators in Professional Sports, New York Labor Law Defense Strategies, Case Studies for the Defense of High-Exposure “Damages Only” Litigation and Defense of Reptilian Trial Tactics), 2013–2018

Awards & Honors

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