



## Patrick R. Fischer

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Patrick Fischer defends against claims on behalf of some of the world's largest insurance carriers. He follows a carefully conceived resolution plan designed to determine likely exposure, identify resolution options and ultimately conclude in outcomes that adhere to prescribed guidelines. Patrick knows that our clients prefer quick and cost-effective solutions to complex and potentially protracted liability cases and does his best to accelerate turnaround through procedural dismissals, substantive dismissals, successful tenders and negotiated settlements.

Patrick served as a law clerk for the Honorable Noah Franzblau in the Morris County Superior Court of New Jersey, where he completed Statement of Reasons related to the judge's decisions on criminal and civil matters. He also conducted legal research and served as a mediator for landlord-tenant matters. In addition, Patrick completed briefs and conducted legal research during two internships for the New Jersey Attorney General's Office, in the Appellate Division Unit and the Criminal Division's Organized Crime Unit.

### Education

- New York Law School (J.D., 2022)
  - Law Review Staff Editor, Moot Court Executive Board Member
- Fordham University (B.A. Political Science, Classics, 2019)

### Bar Admissions

- New Jersey

### Services

- Complex Tort & General Casualty

## Client Wins

### **Fischer Prevails on Motion to Dismiss for Insurance Broker Client**

Patrick Fischer (Associate-Madison, NJ) secured a dismissal with prejudice in the U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, on behalf of Wilson Elser's client, an insurance broker. In this broker malpractice case, the court found that the entire controversy doctrine barred the plaintiff from bringing this claim because he had an opportunity to object to the settlement agreement in the underlying state action, but chose not to do so. The court further found that although the facts in the instant complaint and the underlying state action are not identical, they are related because our client's defense would focus on the fact that he did not commit malpractice and/or the settlement figure was reasonable based on the strength of the proofs against it. In a noteworthy development, the court issued its Order and Statement of Reasons with no prior notice and without oral argument, based solely on the strength of Patrick's written arguments.