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Ronald Weiner focuses his practice on professional liability defense and insurance coverage litigation, from inception through disposition in state and federal courts. Ron specializes in defense of attorneys, beginning with an immediate and comprehensive assessment of the underlying matter and the malpractice claim, with a focus on early dismissal through pre-answer dispositive motions. While these motions are frequently successful, he simultaneously formulates early resolution strategies such as ADR, consistent with his clients' objectives.

Ron joined Wilson Elser from a New York boutique firm with a general commercial litigation practice and a special emphasis on insurance-related litigation, including professional liability litigation and insurance coverage disputes.

Education

- University at Buffalo School of Law (J.D., 1983)
 - Note and Comment Editor, Buffalo Law Review
- University of Vermont (B.A., 1979)

Bar Admissions

- New York

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

Professional Affiliations

Services

- Professional Liability & Services

- New York State Bar Association

Client Wins

Hawai'i Federal Court Dismisses Claims Against Local Defense Counsel

Joseph Francoeur (Partner-New York, NY), Otis Felder (Partner-Los Angeles, CA), and Ronald Weiner (Of Counsel-New York, NY) obtained dismissal in defending a local Hawai'i attorney in a significant ruling issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Hawai'i. In this high-profile lawsuit, under litigation since 2018, brought by the plaintiff against a large Medical Center and several other Hawai'i-based medical providers, donor organizations, and attorneys, the court dismissed the action, except for a potential claim against the plaintiff's own counsel. The case stemmed from the 2016 death of the plaintiff's daughter and subsequent organ donation procedures. The court granted the defendants' motions to dismiss, ruling that all claims were barred by the statute of limitations or otherwise legally insufficient. The court also issued an order to show cause, requiring the plaintiff to provide additional information to support her malpractice claim by October 20, 2025, or face dismissal of the entire case. With this ruling, all claims against the medical providers, hospital, donor organizations, government entities, and opposing counsel are concluded. The only remaining avenue for the plaintiff is to pursue a properly supported malpractice claim against her former attorney.