Bill Foster

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Education

- Syracuse University College of Law, *Cum Laude*; *Syracuse Law Review*, Executive Editor, JD
- College of St. Rose, BA

Practices & Industries

- Torts & Products Liability Defense
- Insurance Coverage & Regulation
- Transportation

Admitted to Practice

- New York
- Connecticut

Court Admissions

- US District Court for the Northern District of New York
- US District Court for the Southern District of New York

Biography

With over 30 years of legal experience, Bill primarily concentrates his practice on representing insurers in first- and third-party matters and handling matters involving personal-injury defense, insurance coverage, and the investigation and defense of potential claims of insurance fraud, including trial and appellate representation.

Bill handles cases involving products liability, intentional torts, business torts, insurance defense, defective products, dangerous conditions, labor law, strict liability, professional liability, fraud, and catastrophic personal-injuries issues for Fortune 500 companies across a variety of industries. He also provides counsel to and defends municipalities in matters related to claims of property damage, wrongful death, and personal injury.

Bill additionally litigates fraud and arson insurance-defense matters and renders coverage opinions and advice on complex property-insurance claims. He also has extensive experience working with insurance companies handling fire insurance and subrogation claims.

Bar Associations

- Albany County Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association

Selected Memberships & Affiliations

- Association of Trial Lawyers of America
- New York Trial Lawyers Association

Prior Experience

- Hiscock & Barclay, LLP, Partner
- Bouck, Holloway, Kiernan & Casey, LLP, Partner

Selected Honors

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®: Albany "Lawyer of the Year": Insurance Law, 2024; Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, 2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®: Insurance Law, 2022–2027; Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, 2023–2027
- Selected to *Super Lawyers* Upstate New York: Insurance Coverage, 2008–2009; Personal Injury Products: Defense, 2015–2022
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated for Very High to Preeminent Ethical Standards and Legal Ability, 2006–2018

Selected Speaking Engagements

- New York State Bar Association, “Insurance Coverage Trending Topics”
- New York State Bar Association, “Insurance Coverage Fundamentals”
- New York State Bar Association, “Insurance Considerations for Premises Liability”
- New York State Bar Association, “Review of the New York Standard Fire Insurance Policy”
- 22nd Albany Claims Association Fall Educational Workshop, Guest Lecturer

Selected Alerts & Blog Posts

- Appellate Division First Department Reaffirms "Interfamilial Immunity" From Contribution