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A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO THE CITY'S TOP ATTORNEYS

In every field of endeavor, our city is home to the best of the best—the best doctors, financiers, tradesmen, artists, and of course, attorneys. Many of the top lawyers in the world choose to practice in New York, attracted by the quality of the profession and the challenge of the legal work. Here, they find the toughest cases, biggest deals and smartest lawyers to compete against.

In the world of law, like anything else, it's true: If you can make it here, you'll make it anywhere.

New York is home to tens of thousands of lawyers. The New York City Bar Association alone has more than 24,000 members. When you're looking for someone to represent you and your family, how do you find the right fit for you—someone who has all the qualities you need—legal smarts, honesty, proper work ethic and satisfied clients?

The New York Area's Best Lawyers® takes the mystery out of a locating a top-notch advocate to protect you, your family, and your business and other assets. The exceptional attorneys listed in *The Best Lawyers in America®* were nominated by and

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Lawyers in this guide are arranged by their legal specialty—from Administrative Law to Workers' Compensation—which makes it easy to find the professional advice in the area of law you need. Whether you're starting a business or selling one, getting married or getting divorced, patenting your invention, litigating a contract, or buying a home—there's a talented and highly competent attorney here who can help.

Keep this comprehensive guide around for those times when you need a first rate advocate to assist you. The lawyers listed in *The New York Area's Best Lawyers* are eager to help.

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When you've been doing things the right way for as long as the attorneys at Weitz & Luxenberg, PC, the largest personal injury and mass tort plaintiffs' firm in New York, consistency is all you need, but even after 21 years of practice, the firm continues to raise the bar for mass tort litigation, taking more verdicts than most firms in the country.

ANCHORED BY PERRY WEITZ, Arthur Luxenberg, Robert J. Gordon, Jerry Kristal, and Paul J. Pennock (all of whom have been selected by their peers for *The Best Lawyers in America*®), the sixty lawyers at Weitz & Luxenberg range from the young and dynamic to the older and more experienced lawyers, and are continually working to evolve their focus in order to adapt to the needs of society, recently shifting from the pharmaceutical area towards work on behalf of communities whose underground water supplies are contaminated by chemical plants, oil companies, and factories around their houses.

THIS POWERHOUSE GROUP OF LAWYERS HAS COME TOGETHER to offer their clients a perfect blend of large firm resources and small firm attentiveness and compassion. Whereas the firm's Asbestos Litigation Unit have used their might and expertise to obtain billions of dollars in verdicts and settlements for those who have fallen ill due to asbestos exposure (including a recent \$25 million verdict against Daimler Chrysler and \$37 million against a major asbestos company), its client relations department exists solely to provide the comfort and support that the clients both need and deserve. Clients are kept well-informed throughout the usually trying litigation process, and Weitz & Luxenberg goes to great lengths to make sure that the individual's concerns never get lost in the masses by offering personalized services that cater to each particular client's needs and issues.

WEITZ & LUXENBERG HAS BEEN PRACTICING MASS TORT LITIGATION longer than any other firm in New York State, getting in at the forefront of asbestos litigation in the late 1980s. Since then, Mr. Weitz has been responsible for negotiating settlements and building trusts for victims to the tune of \$20 billion. The skills that enable Weitz & Luxenberg's well-asserted dominance in asbestos litigation naturally translate into success in other areas of the courtroom. The firm's Drug and Medical Device Litigation Unit has active litigations in the defective drugs Vioxx, Seroquel, ReNu MoistureLoc, Bextra, and Celebrex, as well as in Guidant heart defibrillators, and it has found success with prior litigations in silicone breast implants, Sulzer Hip Implants, Fen-Phen, Propulsid, Rezulin, and DES. It has triumphed in prior actions against the Firearms and Tobacco industries, and in the firm's burgeoning Environmental Toxic Torts Unit, it is the national leader in MTBE litigation (vast groundwater contamination), representing hundreds of clients in Plant City, Florida and Grand Island, Nebraska in their actions against nearby industrial polluters.

WEITZ & LUXENBERG RECENTLY OPENED an office in Dallas, and has plans to expand their presence across the country.

FIRM FACT:

The firm's celebrated asbestos litigation unit has over 35,000 clients nationwide, and has won some of the area's most groundbreaking cases, including the \$53 million *Brown v. Bendix* and the \$47 million *Croteau v. ConEd/Lilco* verdicts.

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A History of Success - Making a Difference Since 1986

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A Nationally Recognized Practice

The law firm of Weitz & Luxenberg plays leading roles in state and national litigations involving asbestos, breast implants, numerous drug recalls such as Vioxx, Baycol, and Arava, as well as numerous personal injury and medical malpractice cases. The law firm is active in many civic groups, and philanthropic organizations. The law firm of Weitz & Luxenberg is pleased to participate in several charitable causes.

Your Best Defense is a Great Offense

Weitz & Luxenberg's attorneys have decades of experience defending victims' rights in accident, injury, drug & medical devices and pollutant lawsuits. If you've been hurt and need a great lawyer on your team, visit our website, fill out a form and get your free case evaluation. Your information will be reviewed within 24 hours.

PRACTICE AREAS:

Drugs & Medical Devices

Accutane
Baycol
Bextra
Celebrex
Crestor
Cytotec
Defibrillator
DES
Infusion Pumps
Ortho Evra
Vioxx

Pollutants

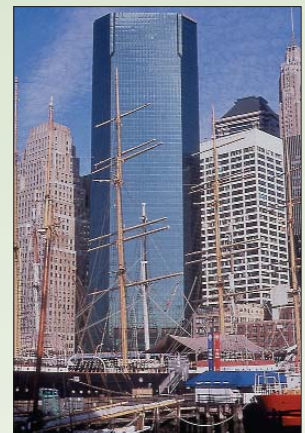
Asbestos
Arsenic
Benzene
Chromium
Dioxin
Mercury
Mesothelioma
MTBE
PAH
PCB
PCE/TCE
Perchlorate
Pesticide/Herbicide
PVC Plastic
Radiation
Soil Gas Vapor
Teflon
Toluene
Welding Rods

Accidents

Aviation
Car/Auto
Construction
Escalator/Elevator
Marine
Municipal
Sidewalk
Slip & Fall
Workplace

Personal Injury

Birth Defects
Brain Injury
Dangerous Product
Death Cases
False Arrest
Lead Paint
Medical Malpractice
Nursing Homes
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