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Biography

Joel I. Fishbein is Of Counsel with Hall Booth Smith and focuses his practice on aging services, health care, and medical malpractice, appellate, arbitration & mediation, employment and business litigation..

With more than three decades of litigation and risk management experience, Joel represents long-term care providers, hospitals, physicians, and businesses in complex disputes. He draws on his extensive background to provide strategic counsel in high-stakes matters and to guide clients through arbitration, mediation, and trial. He also has significant appellate experience, having successfully argued novel legal issues impacting health care and arbitration law.

Before joining HBS, Joel served as Senior Vice President and Director of Litigation and Risk at Complete Care Management, where he supervised outside counsel and developed strategies to reduce claim frequency and severity across the organization. Earlier in his career, he practiced as partner at several law firms, where he represented clients in Pennsylvania and New Jersey in

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medical malpractice defense and long-term care litigation.

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Joel has tried and arbitrated numerous cases to successful outcomes, including achieving a multi-million-dollar arbitration award on behalf of a business owner and securing appellate decisions enforcing arbitration agreements in assisted living contracts..

He is certified in Mediation by Harvard Law School and earned his J.D. from Temple University's James E. Beasley School of Law, where he served as note and comment editor for the Temple Law Review. He also holds a B.S. in Accounting from Pennsylvania State University.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- New Jersey
 - Supreme Court
- Pennsylvania
 - Supreme Court

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania

U.S. Courts of Appeals:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

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Education

- J.D., Temple University
- B.S., Pennsylvania State University

Memberships

- Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, Judge Pro Tem Program, 2020 to present
- Temple Inn of Court, 2019 to present and 1990-1995
- Defense Research Institute, 2007 to present
- Cheltenham School District, Board of School Directors, President, 2020, Vice President, 2017-2020

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- Cheltenham Human Relations Commission, Vice Chair
- Congregation Kol Ami Elkins Park, Member, Board of Trustees, 2012 to 2014
- Cheltenham Sports, Board of Directors (2003-2011), Travel soccer coach from 2004 through 2013
- Philadelphia Bar Association, Chair of 10,000 member Young Lawyers Division, 1999
Member, Professional Guidance Committee, 1989 to 2018
Member, Board of Governors, 2000-2001
Trustee, Philadelphia Bar Foundation
- Pennsylvania Tourette Syndrome Association, Member, Board of Directors, 2007-2008

Recognition

- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated™, Martindale-Hubbell
- Best Lawyers in America, 2022
- Pennsylvania Super Lawyer 2006, 2010, 2013, 2014
- Philadelphia Business Journal as a "Forty (Philadelphians to Watch) Under 40"

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Presentations

- **Torts 101 for Claims Professionals**
Internal Client Webinar, December 2021
- **Building Blocks for a Comprehensive Risk Management Program in Assisted Living**
DRI Nursing Home and Assisted Living Litigation Conference, New Orleans, LA, September 2018
- **Putting Your Neutral Foot Forward: Arbitration in Healthcare**
DRI Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2016
- **PSO, What LTC Providers Need to Know**
Long Term Care Risk Legal Forum, Las Vegas, 2016

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- **PSO, What LTC Providers Need to Know**
American Health Care Association Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 2015
- **Arbitration Drafting**
ACI Nursing Home Litigation Meeting, Miami, FL, 2015
- **Federal Actions to Compel Arbitration**
DRI Nursing Home and Assisted Living Litigation Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ, 2014

Publications

- **Nursing Home/Alf Cases: Federal Actions to Compel Arbitration**
DRI, For the Defense, November 2014
- **Not Inherently Unfair, Arbitration in the Long-Term Care Setting**
DRI, For the Defense, 54 No. 8, August 2012
- **Products Liability Industry Custom Evidence: Its Relevance in Design Defect Products Liability Cases- Lewis v. Coffing Hoist Division, Duff-Norton Co.61 Temp. L. Rev. 627**

In the Press

Hall Booth Smith Bolsters National Aging Services, Acute Care Litigation Team with Joel Fishbein as Of Counsel

September 22, 2025

Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is excited to welcome Joel I. Fishbein as of counsel in the Aging Services Practice.

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