

Practices & Industries

- Insurance Coverage & Regulation
- Torts & Products Liability Defense

Admitted to Practice

- New York
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- US District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- US District Court for the Northern District of New York
- US District Court for the Southern District of New York
- US District Court for the Western District of New York

Biography

With over two decades of experience, Ian focuses his practice on insurance coverage disputes, torts, and products liability defense. He has extensive experience representing corporate clients in complex litigation, including insurance coverage matters governed by ERISA and state law as well as products liability cases involving pharmaceutical and consumer products. During his career, Ian has briefed, argued, and succeeded on many commercial and insurance-related appeals throughout New York State and federal courts.

As former senior counsel for one of the largest global providers of insurance, annuities, and employee benefits programs, Ian draws upon his experience to advise insurers on reducing potential liability, resolving disputes, and mitigating litigation risk to achieve successful outcomes. Ian has significant negotiation and alternative dispute resolution experience, and he has additional e-discovery experience.

Representative Experience

- Represented large corporate clients in talcum powder product liability litigation and ERISA-governed and state-law-governed insurance coverage litigation.
- Argued and fully briefed several federal appeals to six US circuit courts of appeals.
- Argued dispositive motions in US district court.
- Participated in a weeks-long complex commercial AAA arbitration, dozens of mediations and settlement conferences, FINRA arbitrations, and informal discussions with opposing counsel to resolve disputes.
- Developed the strategy in a complex white-collar multijurisdiction civil litigation, which settled globally after one

of several cases went to trial. Coordinated strategy with co-defendants' counsel.

- Worked on a large coverage dispute involving various securities law issues.

Prior Experience

- The Law Offices of Ian Linker LLC, Attorney
- Rivkin Radler LLP, Partner
- MetLife, Senior Counsel
- Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll PLLC, Associate
- Kaye Scholer LLP, Associate

Selected Media

- Law360 Pulse, "Insurance Litigator Moves to Barclay Damon as Partner"