

# Class Action Defense

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Our Class Action Defense practice is a nationwide leader. Our experience spans industries and subject matters, and we have litigated class action cases in virtually every major jurisdiction throughout the country. In the past five years, we have represented clients in hundreds of class actions, the vast majority of which have been dismissed or effectively resolved at an early stage in the litigation and on terms favorable to our clients. Consistent with our clients' interests in these cases, we typically push for early dismissal or resolution through aggressive motion practice, but we are also uniquely experienced and capable to try these cases to conclusion. We are one of the few firms with actual experience trying class actions to verdict.

We have deep experience representing clients who face large numbers of class actions. Our clients are sophisticated consumers of the services that our practice offers, and for years, we have proven adept at partnering with these clients to defend class action claims. Our experience and value have also benefited clients who face class litigation less frequently, whether in cases that are viewed as mere nuisance or those that challenge significant business practices.

Our success in class actions stems from our unparalleled experience. We have learned the defenses and arguments that are most likely to prevail on behalf of our clients, whether on the merits or in defense of class certification, and we know enough to recognize those claims that are more appropriate for early or class-wide resolution. Trusting our class action practice allows our clients to tap into this experience and know-how.

## Cases & Deals

*September 12, 2023*

Rio Tinto Secures Victory in the Second Circuit

## MDL & Coordinating Counsel Leadership

*March 13, 2023*

## Capability Lawyers



David L. Balsler  
*Atlanta*



Zachary A. McEntyre (Zach)  
*Atlanta*

## Recognition

Law Firm of the Year: Mass  
Tort Litigation / Class  
Actions – Defendants

U.S. NEWS & WORLD  
REPORT, 2023

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Nationally Ranked for  
Consumer Class Actions

CHAMBERS USA, 2022

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Ranked Tier 1 in Multiple  
Categories for Product  
Liability, Mass Tort & Class  
Actions

LEGAL 500, 2022

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Product Liability Practice  
Group of the Year

LAW360, 2013–2018, 2020

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Tier 1 for Product Liability,  
Mass Tort and Class  
Actions: Defense –

Neovasc Inc. Wins Second Circuit Victory in Securities Class Action Dismissal

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Insights

**CLIENT ALERT**

*November 8, 2023*

The SEC's New Clawback Rules Will Change Internal Investigations

**CLIENT ALERT**

*May 10, 2023*

Gas Stove Ban Update: Ninth Circuit Says "No" to City of Berkeley Ban on Gas Stoves

**ARTICLE**

*May 1, 2023*

Securities Litigation in the Energy Sector

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Events

**CONFERENCE**

*March 13, 2024*

Class Action University

**WEBINAR**

*January 24, 2024*

California MCLE Institute

**SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT**

*October 16, 2023*

Dale Giali to Speak on Contaminant Class Actions at ACI's Advanced Forum on Defending FDA-Regulated Consumer Products Class Actions

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News

**RECOGNITION**

*April 24, 2024*

Minority Corporate Counsel Association Names King & Spalding Partner Adam Reinke a Rising Star

**RECOGNITION**

*April 16, 2024*

King & Spalding Named to Global Data Review's GDR 100 List

**IN THE NEWS**

*April 1, 2024*

Warren Pope, Bethany Rezek, Brian Barnes and Michael Smith represent National Vision before a Georgia federal court, which dismissed an investor class action suit against the company

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices

LEGAL 500, 2020-2021, 2023

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Tier 1 for Product Liability, Mass Tort and Class Actions: Defense – Automotive/Transport

LEGAL 500, 2020-2023

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Tier 1 for Product Liability, Mass Tort and Class Actions: Defense – Consumer Products

LEGAL 500, 2023

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