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KEY SERVICES

Business

- Conflict Resolution

Litigation

- Appellate
- Breach of Warranty
- Class Actions
- Commercial
- Contracts
- Negligence/Personal Injury
- Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices
- Premises Liability
- Product Liability
- Professional Liability

Insurance

- Insurance Law
- Insurance Coverage
- Bad Faith

BAR ADMISSIONS

State Bar Admissions
MA, CT, NH and RI

United States District Court
MA, VT

United States Court of Appeals

OVERVIEW

Matt Bown is an experienced litigator who concentrates his practice on complex product liability matters involving medical devices, automobiles, industrial machinery, construction equipment, recreational and sporting goods and other consumer products. Matt also maintains an active commercial litigation practice in which he represents large and small companies in a wide range of business disputes.

Prior to joining Hermes Netburn, Matt was at another Boston-area law firm where he concentrated his practice in civil litigation, insurance coverage, consumer protection and insurance defense matters. He handled a wide range of cases involving extra-contractual liability, bad-faith and equitable remedies, as well as prosecuted complex civil RICO actions on behalf of insurers.

Matt is a practical and approachable professional who prides himself on helping clients understand all of their options when faced with challenging issues or disputes. Away from the office, Matt enjoys traveling New England and beyond with his wife and their young son and daughter, and is always thankful for a summer day spent on the beaches of Cape Cod.

EXPERIENCE

- Secured dismissal of product liability claims against manufacturer of automobile accessory distributor brought on behalf of pedestrian struck by automobile.
- After week-long trial, secured declaratory judgment of non-coverage in favor of insurer which was later upheld on appeal.
- Obtained summary judgment in product liability case in favor of manufacturer of automated commercial food production machinery.

First Circuit

EDUCATION

Suffolk University Law
School, J.D., 2013

University of New
Hampshire, B.A., 2004

- Obtained summary judgment in favor of leasee of commercial property which determined that lease did not require the leasee to indemnify landlord for costs of statutory environmental compliance.
- Obtained summary judgment in in favor of real estate investment firm which secured money judgment in excess of \$475,000.00 reaching passed insolvent limited liability company to its principal in his individual capacity.

AWARDS & HONORS

- *Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch* list, 2021



INVOLVEMENT

Defense Research Institute

- Massachusetts State Membership Chair
- Young Lawyers Steering Committee
- Chair, Substantive Law Liaison Subcommittee

Massachusetts Defense Lawyers Association, member

American Bar Association

- Member, Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section

Vice President, 18 Foxes, Inc. – A non-profit organization that supports military veterans successfully transition to civilian life.