



Railroads

Our nationwide transportation team represents numerous railroads, railroad suppliers, switching entities, contractors, shippers, and carriers on contract matters and issues related to cargo and the transportation of goods. Our experience includes representing clients in defending Federal Employers Liability Act (FELA) claims, Federal Rail Safety Act (FRSA) claims, railroad crossing accidents, property and tax disputes, employment matters, regulatory compliance, contract drafting, and many other transportation-related matters. A large majority of our work involves defending our clients against claims involving FELA.

Given the volatile nature of the transportation industry, in the event of an accident, our team responds quickly to calls, day or night, and is prepared to be on-site to ensure our clients' interests are protected.

Areas of representation include:

- Cargo Claims
- Compliance with Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) regulations
- Contract Disputes
- Contract Drafting
- Crashworthiness
- Customs Issues
- Employment
- Environmental
- Federal Employers Liability Act (FELA)
- Federal Safety Appliance Act (FSAA)
- Highway-Rail Grade Crossings Safety Regulations

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RELATED AREAS

Commercial & Corporate Finance

Environmental

Labor & Employment

Personal Injury

RELATED INDUSTRIES

Construction & Project Development

Transportation & Logistics

Railroads

- Locomotive Inspection Act (LIA)
- National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) investigations
- On-site Investigations
- Personal Injury and Wrongful Death Defense
- Property Damage
- Rail Grade Crossing Accidents
- Surface Transportation Board (STB) proceedings
- Toxic Exposure
- Warranty Claims
- Whistleblower Claims Under 49 U.S.C. § 20109

Related experience representing rail and other transportation clients:

- Contract Negotiations
- Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy
- Lease Financing
- Lease Negotiation
- Logistics
- Private Equity/Joint Venture Agreements
- Public and Private Securities Offerings
- Purchase Agreements
- Railcar and Locomotive Sales and Acquisitions
- Real Estate Acquisition, Development, and Divestitures

News

- Burr & Forman Earns National and Metro Rankings in 2024 Best Law Firms List
Firm News, 11.02.2023

Publications

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- *LeDure v. Union Pacific*: Locomotive Inspection Act Case Law Stays Intact and "In Use" For Now
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