

Attorney Bio

James P. Tyrie focuses on the defense of premises security, toxic tort, construction and general liability matters. James has been retained to defend property owners, governmental entities and corporations throughout New York State on behalf of various self-insured clients and insurance companies. He manages litigation in conjunction with other local counsel, insurance carriers and self-insured entities throughout the United States.

A significant component of James' practice involves the representation of municipalities and governmental entities in premises liability, security and related matters. He previously managed a litigation defense team for one of the largest public housing authorities in the United States. He has handled the initial fire investigations for clients and resulting litigation for the clients. He is on a rapid response team for construction site accident claims under New York Labor Law, assisting his clients in the initial investigation of the accidents and handling the cases through litigation. He also represents clients in lead poisoning and asbestos exposure cases, premises security lawsuits arising from shootings, assaults and security guard issues and other personal injury matters. He is a member of the firm's 24/7 emergency response team, which is dispatched immediately upon the occurrence of a fire or construction accident in order to assist the client in its investigation and prepare for the defense of the clients in any resulting litigation.

Striving for early resolution of claims whenever possible, James often is able to obtain a favorable outcome for his clients without the need for extensive litigation expenses. He has achieved a track record of success at trial, having taken 25 cases to verdict in both state and federal courts and obtained numerous defense verdicts. In addition, he has defended clients in administrative hearings with respect to various issues involving their premises.

Education

St. John's University School of Law (J.D., 1992)

Stony Brook University (B.A., 1987)

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Awards & Accomplishments

- James is the co-author of “Use of Market Share Liability Improper in Lead Lawsuits,” published by the Washington Legal Foundation, which analyzes how the court would decide a case of first impression in New York concerning lead poisoning cases and the applicability of market share analysis.
- He presents continuing legal education seminars to clients and firm attorneys and has delivered lectures to numerous claims professionals.

Memberships

- James was recently accepted as a member of CLM.