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Michael J. Crowley has over twenty-five years experience handling clients' litigation needs on significant matters from the investigation stage through trial. He is an experienced trial attorney in New York's federal and state courts where he handles litigation in a diverse variety of practice areas. Mr. Crowley concentrates his litigation practice in the areas of aviation law, commercial disputes, product liability, and toxic tort. He is a member of numerous bar associations and trial lawyer groups and is active in both the Defense Research Institute and the International Association of Defense Counsel. In addition, Mr. Crowley lectures nationally on aviation-related topics for the airline industry, and on product liability issues for major manufacturers. He currently is involved in the consolidated litigation arising out of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks and is serving as a member of the Defendants' Executive Committee for that litigation.

Mr. Crowley is an active participant in his community and various charity organizations including: long-time and active member of the Board of Directors for the Garden City Athletic Association; long-time member and former Director of the Garden City Estates Property Owners' Association; currently a member of the Advisory Board to the charitable *Miracle Foundation*; multi-year term as the President of the Garden City Little League; and currently President of the Board of Governors of The Cherry Valley Club.

Representative Experience

- Represented major airlines in Federal multi-district litigation arising from airline crashes and other aviation related incidents;
- Member of Defendant's Executive Committee for the Consolidated Litigation arising from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks;
- Represented product manufacturers in a variety of wrongful death and significant injury cases arising from claims of product defect;
- Represented product manufacturer of general aviation aircraft in multi-wrongful death litigation arising out of the crash of aircraft;
- Represented fixed based operator in wrongful death and significant injury cases arising from a general aviation crash;
- Represented major airline in federal multi-district litigation arising from an emergency evacuation of an aircraft, with wrongful death and significant brain injury cases;
- Represented major airline in significant injury cases arising from turbulence;
- Represented the general aviation operator involved in a midair collision over New York which resulted in multiple deaths;

Practice Areas:

Aviation Law
Business Litigation
Transportation Law
Product Liability and Tort Law
Mass Tort and Toxic Tort Litigation

Admitted to Practice:

State of New York
United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

Education:

Fairfield University (B.A., 1981)
Fordham University School of Law (J.D., 1984)

Affiliations:

New York City Bar Association
New York State Bar Association
Nassau County Bar Association
American Bar Association
Nassau/Suffolk Trial Lawyers Association
Defense Research Institute and the International Association of Defense Counsel

- Represented helicopter operator in a variety of litigation involving wrongful death and significant injury cases;
- Represented companies involved in truck accident cases resulting in wrongful death and significant personal injury;
- Represented defendant companies in alleged toxic tort cases in New York State;
- Represented major retailing companies and airports in numerous premises liability cases;
- Represented parties in various construction accident cases involving wrongful death and significant personal injury brought pursuant to New York's Labor Law;
- Represented various clients in litigation arising from the operation of company owned vehicle fleets;
- Represented clients in breach of contract cases and the enforcement of contractual provisions, such as indemnity obligations, warranties, and non-compete clauses;
- Represented various clients in real estate related litigation involving the enforcement of lease provisions and alleged breach of contract claims.

Professional Activities

- Lectured at various aviation related seminars including: Southern Methodist University Air Law Symposium (Dallas, Texas); New York State Bar Association; and New York City Bar Association