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### Insurance

The insurance industry faces a diverse set of inter-disciplinary corporate, regulatory and litigation challenges, at both the state and federal levels, on a daily basis. For this reason, Williams Mullen has combined the experience of its corporate, regulatory and litigation attorneys to form an Insurance Industry Service Group, which focuses on assisting clients in addressing these challenges in a comprehensive, results-oriented manner. Having provided corporate, regulatory, real estate, banking, government affairs, ERISA, litigation and labor services to the industry for many years, we understand the issues faced by the industry and can put our experience to use to assist our clients in achieving strategic, cost-effective solutions. In addition, through our strong working relationships with underwriters, brokers, regulators and legislators, we stay abreast of emerging industry and regulatory trends to better serve clients seeking sophisticated guidance and innovative approaches to business issues and opportunities that arise in this heavily-regulated environment.

#### **Industry Sectors We Represent**

- Life and Health Insurers, Property & Casualty Insurers, Title Insurers, Surplus Lines Insurers and Reinsurers
- Agents, Brokers, Third Party Administrators and Managing General Agents
- Commercial banks, thrifts and investment banks
- Insurance Industry Trade and Professional Associations

We offer a broad spectrum of legal services that reaches virtually every segment of the insurance industry. Our insurance services include the following:

- Regulatory compliance, including development of compliance programs on a host of issues, including business ethics, codes of conduct and antitrust
- Market conduct and financial condition examinations
- Form and rate approvals
- Contested case hearings, including administrative and court litigation
- Enforcement proceedings
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Approvals for mergers, acquisitions, asset transfers and redomestications
- Regulator inquiries and enforcement intervention
- Legislative and administrative advocacy

- Insolvency counseling
- Labor, employment and employee benefits
- Coverage counseling
- Litigation of insurance related matters involving:
  - Third-party claims under commercial general liability, errors and omissions/professional liability, employment practices liability and directors and officers policies
  - Enforcement of restrictive covenants
  - Coverage disputes
  - o Disability, life, pension plan claims
  - Antitrust litigation
  - Reinsurance litigation and arbitration
  - o Bad faith, extra contractual and unfair claims handling
  - o National coordinating counsel for defense of products liability claims

#### **Related News**

- 6th Circuit Rejects Blue Cross of Michigan Appeal in ?Most Favored Nation? Clause Antitrust Dispute on Jurisdictional Grounds
- Justice Department Halts Blue Cross of Montana?s Expansion Plans Based Upon Competitive Concerns
- New York Glass Repair Shop Alleges Insurer Preferred Provider Network Violates Antitrust Laws
- DOJ Contends Health Insurer's Use of Most Favored Nation Clauses is Anticompetitive
- Third Circuit Revives the In re Insurance Brokerage Antitrust Litigation
- McCarran-Ferguson Act?s Antitrust Exemption Dodges Another Attempt at Repeal
- Herding or Leading?
- European Commission Announces its Renewal of the Insurance Industry?s Antitrust Block Exemption
- House Once Again Passes McCarran Repeal Legislation
- Can Antitrust Exemption Survive Health Care Reform?
- Will Health Care Reform End the Insurance Industry?s Antitrust Exemption?
- Congress Sets Its Sights on the Insurance Industry?s McCarran Ferguson Act Antitrust Exemption
- President Obama?s Regulatory Reform Bill Includes the Creation of a National Insurance Office
- Title Insurers Secure Two Big Wins in Defense of Price Fixing Claims
- Legislation Repealing the Insurance Industry?s Antitrust Exemption Is Introduced
- Marsh Settlement of Insurance Brokerage Antitrust Lawsuit Approved by Court
- DOJ Antitrust Division Approves Creation of Insurance Consortium
- Federal Bailout Reignites Debate Over the Need for Federal Regulation of Insurance
- Pennsylvania Health Insurance Merger Faces Further Scrutiny

- The Fate of the Insurance Industry's Antitrust Exemption in Europe is Under Review
- Insurance Executives Convicted of Criminal Antitrust Violations
- Louisiana Attorney General Accuses Insurers of Antitrust Conspiracy
- Legal Project Management
- James M. Burns Comments on Dismissal of Criminal Charges Against Former Brokerage and Insurer Executives
- Six Williams Mullen Lawyers Included in Inaugural Issue of "Super Lawyers, Corporate Counsel Edition"
- Williams Mullen Announces Election of New Partners
- FAA Issues Final Rule for Businesses to Use Drones
- 114 Williams Mullen Attorneys Listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2018
- 110 Williams Mullen Attorneys Listed in Latest Edition of The Best Lawyers in America©
- Elizabeth Scott Profiled in Business North Carolina's 2019 Legal Elite Issue
- 119 Williams Mullen Attorneys Listed in 2020 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America©
- 116 Williams Mullen Attorneys Listed in 2021 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America©; Most Total Lawyers in Virginia
- 124 Williams Mullen Attorneys Listed in 2022 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America©
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- Williams Mullen Nationally Ranked in 20 Practice Areas by Best Lawyers® ?Best Law Firms? 2024

#### **Related Events**

- COVID-19 Comeback Convention
- Mastermind Study Group
- 8th Annual SNL Insurance Brokerage Summit

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