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Tony handles critical insurance coverage litigation matters with a keen understanding of his clients' business goals. Particularly experienced in the health care industry, Tony helps clients pinpoint problems and resolve them creatively, avoiding costly litigation and risk whenever possible.

OVERVIEW

As a longtime litigator, Charles A. "Tony" Jones represents clients nationwide in high-stakes matters regarding directors and officers liability, professional liability, and general liability insurance policies. He brings an objective, analytical, and strategic approach to help insurance carriers maximize gains or limit exposures.

Tony is especially known for representing insurers in connection with coverage issued to health care providers – ranging from large hospitals and insurers to small practices and individual psychologists and psychiatrists – on a variety of coverage issues, including claims of negligence, fraud, employment discrimination, D&O liability, violations of the False Claims Act, and antitrust exposures involved in hospital and practice acquisitions.

To help his clients reach results that contribute to their overall business objectives, Tony addresses problems in a pragmatic and collaborative manner. He is often able to proactively work with all the parties involved – including the "other side" – to resolve issues. Of course, when litigation is necessary, Tony aggressively defends his clients and has prevailed in jurisdictions across the U.S. Tony routinely puts his experience and knowledge of the market to use in assisting clients in drafting and revising insurance policy forms and endorsements.

A passionate advocate for education and relief in areas of need, Tony is an active board member of Hope Africa Ministries, Inc. He is working with the nonprofit to build and improve a school in Western Kenya that is currently serving more than 400 students, among other things.

Tony is also a member of the firm's Management Team and Policy Committee.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented an insurer in a D&O coverage action, winning summary judgment in New York federal court on "related claims" issues and application of an insolvency exclusion.
- Provided an insurer with coverage advice regarding underlying litigation against an insured hospital for alleged violation of the False Claims Act and for allegedly conspiring with partner hospitals in a way that resulted in false/fraudulent billing.

- Represented a defendant in the landmark case *Liggett Group, Inc. v. ACE Property & Casualty Insurance Co.*, effectively ending all tobacco litigation for the insurance industry.
- Obtained a favorable summary judgment on behalf of an insurer sued in West Virginia over the amount of coverage available in connection with negligent credentialing claims against an insured hospital employing a surgeon who implanted medical devices.
- Represented an insurer in preserving and asserting coverage issues related to injuries allegedly suffered at an Illinois hospital neonatal unit, which included claims for negligence and fraud.
- Represented an insurer in a direct action brought against the insurers of a large health care system alleging that several employees, directors, and officers were negligent in their outside service to the state's nonprofit health exchange, allegedly leading to its insolvency.
- Obtained an affirmance by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit of a summary judgment ruling in favor of an employment practices liability insurer finding that an EEOC Charge of Discrimination constituted an "administrative proceeding" and therefore a "claim" made prior to the relevant policy period.
- Obtained summary judgment for \$524 million on behalf of a Puerto Rico-based insurance carrier against guarantor of reinsurer in liquidation.

AWARDS

- *Chambers USA*: Insurance: Insurer, District of Columbia (2017-2019, 2024-2025)
- *Legal 500 United States*: Insurance: Advice to Insurers (2015-2016, 2023-2025)
- *Best Lawyers in America®*: Insurance Law (2023-2026)
- *Super Lawyers*: Washington, D.C. (2014-2021)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Bad Faith
- Directors + Officers Insurance
- Employment Practices Liability
- Health Care Insurance
- Insurance + Reinsurance

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Asbestos Claims
- Bad Faith
- Directors + Officers Insurance
- Employment Practices Liability
- Environmental Insurance Coverage
- Environmental Litigation + Enforcement Defense
- General Liability
- Health Care Insurance
- Insurance + Reinsurance
- Litigation + Trial
- Managed Care Payor Disputes, Investigations + Regulatory Counseling
- Mass Torts Claims + Litigation
- Media, Technology + Cyber Liability Insurance

- Professional Liability
- Reinsurance

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., *cum laude*, 1994, notes editor, *Georgetown Law Journal*
- University of Virginia, B.A., *Echols Scholar*, 1991

BAR ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court, District of Maryland
- U.S. District Court, Central District of Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Stewart P. Davis
- Hon. Robert Smith

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Co-speaker, "Notable Professional Liability Insurance Decisions of 2025," On24 Webinar, February 25, 2026.
- Speaker, "Notable Professional Liability Insurance Decisions of Last Year," Troutman Pepper, February 8, 2024.
- Speaker, "Topics in FinTech and Insurance," Aon + Troutman Pepper Webinar, August 24, 2023.
- Speaker, "Notable Professional Liability Insurance Decisions of Last Year," Troutman Pepper, February 9, 2023.
- Speaker, "Notable Professional Liability Insurance Decisions of Last Year," Troutman Pepper, March 16, 2022.
- Speaker, "Notable Professional Liability Insurance Decisions of Last Year," Troutman Pepper, April 6, 2021.
- Speaker, "Prior Knowledge, Bankruptcy, and Policy Limits Demands...What to Watch for When These Issues Arise," Troutman Pepper, March 23, 2021.
- Speaker, "The Intricacies of Handling Claims Involving Multiple Insureds and Related Issues," Troutman Pepper, November 17, 2020.
- Panelist, "Social Inflation," Reinsurance Association of America's *Demystifying Reinsurance*, November 6, 2020.
- Speaker, "Notable Professional Liability Insurance Decisions of Last Year," Troutman Sanders LLP, April 2, 2020.

- Panelist, "The Opioid Epidemic: Trending Insurance Coverage Issues," CLM Annual Conference, March 13-15, 2019.
- Presenter, "Faulty Towers? The Excess Carrier's Evolving Role," *PLUS* Annual Conference, November 9-11, 2016.
- Presenter, "The Latest Cyber and Privacy Threats Being Faced by the Medical Community – An Update on Risk Management Practices for Health Care Providers and Developments in Cyber/Privacy Insurance for Medical Professionals," ACI Medical Professional Liability Conference, October 30-31, 2014.
- Presenter, "Chutes and Ladders: Hurdles and Rewards in Reaching the Excess Layer of Coverage," ABA Section of Litigation, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee CLE Seminar, March 7, 2014.
- Moderator, "Is That Reasonable? – Efforts to Control the Cost of Defense," Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee 25th Annual CLE Seminar, February 27-March 2, 2013.
- Adjunct professor, Georgetown University Law Center, Civil Litigation Seminar, 2009-2013.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "2024 D&O and Professional Liability Year in Review," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, February 12, 2025.
- Co-author, "D&O and Professional Liability – 2023: A Year in Review," *Troutman Pepper*, February 28, 2024.
- Co-author, "D&O and Professional Liability 2022 | A Year in Review," *Troutman Pepper*, February 6, 2023.
- Co-author, "D&O and Professional Liability 2021 | A Year in Review," *Troutman Pepper*, February 22, 2022.
- Co-author, "D&O and Professional Liability 2020 | A Year in Review," *Troutman Pepper*, March 1, 2021.
- Co-author, "D&O Claims Grow Amidst the Coronavirus," *Claims Magazine*, July/August 2020.
- Co-author, "D&O Liability Coverage for COVID-19 Issues," *Mealey's® Emerging Insurance Disputes*, LexisNexis, May 7, 2020.
- Co-author, "The Key Coverage Issues Regarding Business Interruption From COVID-19," *Mealey's® Litigation Report*, LexisNexis, April 15, 2020.
- Co-author, "D&O and Professional Liability Update 2019: A Year in Review," *Troutman Sanders*, March 3, 2020.

MEDIA COMMENTARY

- Mentioned, "11th Circ. Backs Insurer in Restaurant Co.'s EEOC Fight," *Law360*, July 13, 2023.
- Quoted, "Insurers Face Uphill Battle Over Fraud Action Coverage," *Law360*, March 18, 2022.
- Quoted, "D&O Insurance Cases to Watch in 2022," *Law360*, January 3, 2022.
- Quoted, "The Biggest D&O Liability Insurance Rulings of 2021," *Law360*, December 17, 2021.