

# Workers' Compensation Group

Our workers' compensation practice carries the same commitment to excellence and the development of long-term client relationships that have been so vital to the success of the firm. Due to the diversity of professional experience offered by our workers' compensation team, we are uniquely qualified to offer specific strategic insight and case management.

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## file management protocol

Given the strict deadlines in the workers' compensation arena, we take a systematic approach to case handling. Missed deadlines translate into unnecessary penalties and exposure. To provide our clients with peace of mind and an added layer of protection, we:

- > Submit Section 32 drafts to clients within one week of receipt;
- Deliver detailed hearing reports and deposition summaries to clients within 24 hours;
- Review files at least 48 hours in advance of hearings to avoid unnecessary last minute conferences;
- Monitor all active files weekly at no charge to clients;
- Provide comprehensive understanding of new medical guidelines and forms and their impact on carriers;
- Offer unique experience in the interplay between workers' compensation, social security disability and personal injury claims.

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### experience

As a statewide carrier defense firm, we provide vigilant representation for carriers, TPAs and Special Funds in Western New York, Central New York, and across New York State.

Our significant competitive advantage in workers' compensation cases is based on our strategic approach, our unique perspective, and our depth of experience regarding all aspects of workers' comp law, including:

- > Special Funds Conservation Committee
- Claimant strategy
- > Carrier concerns
- > Hearings, settlements and appeals
- Social Security disability
- > Personal injury
- > Section 32

At KSLN, our attorneys work closely with our highly trained professional staff to deliver exceptional accuracy, timeliness and service to carriers, third party administrators and Special Funds with each and every file. We pride ourselves on fostering close relationships with clients and working together to achieve excellent results.

At Kenney Shelton Liptak Nowak LLP, you'll find a group of attorneys and professional staff who are easy We've been described this way by clients and opponents alike, because it's true. In every endeavor, we strive to strike the right balance between practicing law at the highest level, and being down-to-earth people. Many firms talk about client service, but few count their clients as friends. At KSLN, we've set ourselves apart by delivering good results and

being good people, and it works.

#### firm

Established in 1994 as an insurance defense and coverage litigation firm, KSLN represents insurance companies, self-insured companies, workers' compensation carriers, third party administrators (TPAs), Special Funds, insurers and their insureds, and individuals in New York and Pennsylvania, through the firm's offices in Buffalo, Corning, Erie, New York City, Rochester and Syracuse. Partners Patrick S. Kenney, Judith Treger Shelton, Thomas E. Liptak, James S. Nowak, Timothy E. Delahunt and Shari Jo Reich manage the firm, which has expanded to include:

- > Workers' Compensation
- > Toxic Tort and Environmental Law
- > Commercial Litigation
- > Business and Corporate Law
- > Matrimonial Law
- > Family Law
- > Residential Real Estate
- > Wills, Estates, Trusts and Probate

We are a top choice regionally for carriers, TPAs and Special Funds across New York State. Our measured growth has afforded clients the depth required to manage great volume without sacrificing the relentless pursuit of excellence and client care upon which the firm was founded.

## timely

## relationships

Our client relationships are some of the strongest you'll find. We spend a lot of time getting to know you and your business so that we may successfully advocate on your behalf. We believe that authenticity, honesty, and goodwill are key ingredients to turning business associates into lifelong friends.

At KSLN, you'll meet people that you actually like.

If you have a workers' compensation matter that you'd like to consult with us about, or if you are interested in learning more about the scope of legal services KSLN provides, please contact Melissa Burke, at 716.853.3801, ext. 328, or mbburke@kslnlaw.com. You can also visit us on the web at www.kslnlaw.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

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