VILLANOVA PERSONAL MJURY

u mmm u

Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law

October 23, 2017

Hosted By:

The Villanova Personal Injury Law Society

Natalie Galvez, President

Emma Healy, Vice President

Caroline Kaminski, Treasurer

Meet the Attorneys...



TIMOTHY A. BURKE, ESQUIRE

Locks Law Firm

Villanova University School of Law '15

Texas A&M University '12

Tim Burke is an associate in the Philadelphia office of Locks Law Firm. Mr. Burke primarily focuses his practice on representing clients from across the country on a variety of actions, including mass torts, asbestos exposure, and benzene toxic tort claims.

Mr. Burke graduated from Villanova University School of Law in 2015. While in law school, he worked as a judicial extern for the Hononrable Mark I. Bernstein, Chief Judge for Civil Major Jury cases in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas. After graduating from Villanova, Mr. Burke worked as an attorney in the Charleston office of a national plaintiff's firm representing clients in the class actions securities fraud division. Prior to joining Locks Law Firm, Mr. Burke worked as a Public Defender in South Carolina's Ninth Judicial Circuit. While at the Public Defender's Office, he represented indigent clients and tried felony criminal matters to verdict in General Sessions Court.



graduated in 2012.

CHRISTOPHER C. CARA, ESQUIRE

Pond Lehocky Stern Giodarno Villanova University School of Law '12 Middlebury College '08

Christopher Cara is an associate at the Philaelphia law firm of Pond Lehocky Stern Giodarno. Mr. Cara devotes his practice to workers' compensation representing injured workers. Mr. Cara's interest in Workers' Compensation law sprung from his enrollment in a Workers' Compensation course at the Villanova University School of Law, where he

During his time at Villanova Law, Mr. Cara was a three-year recipient of the Deirdre L. Bailey Leadership Scholarship, member of the Pro Bono Society, and treasurer of the Environmental and Energy Law Society. Additionally, Mr. Cara worked as a law clerk for the following organizations: Exelon Corporation, the Environmental Protection Agency Office of Regional Counsel for Region 3 in Philadelphia, and the New Jersey Attorney General's Office in Trenton, NJ. During law school, Mr. Cara interned with the Honorable Judge Linda Carpenter in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.

Mr. Cara attended Middlebury College in Vermont where he made the Dean's List and graduated with a B.A. in English and with Honors in Environmental Studies. Following his undergraduate graduation, Mr. Cara worked at Isles in Trenton, NJ, a nonprofit community development organization.



PETER CARDWELL, ESQUIRE

Wade Clark Mulcahy
Temple University Beasley School of Law School
Temple University

Peter Cardwell is an associate in Wade Clark Mulcahy's Philadelphia office. At WCM, Mr. Cardwell defends a variety of premises, construction defect, and personal injury claims. Mr. Cardwell earned his Juris Doctorate from Temple University Beasley School of Law. At Temple University Beasley School of Law, Mr. Cardwell was a member of the Moot Court Honor

Society and a member of the Dean's List. In addition, Mr. Cardwell graduated magna cum laude from Temple University Fox School of Business and was a member of the Business Honors Society. Mr. Cardwell is a member of the Philadelphia Association of Defense Counsel.



ASHLEY B. DiLIBERTO, ESQUIRE

Messa & Associates
Widener University Delaware Law School '16
University of South Carolina '12

Ashley DiLiberto is a litigation associate in the Philadelphia law firm of Messa & Associates. Ms. DiLiberto focuses her practice on catastrophic personal injury cases, including medical malpractice, drug products liability, premises liability, dram shop liability, nursing home injuries, and motor vehicle accidents. Ms. DiLiberto earned her Juris Doctorate *cum laude* from Delaware Law School at Widener University in 2016. During her time in law school, Ms. DiLiberto served as Copy Editor of the Delaware Journal of Corporate Law, President of the Food and Drug Law Association, and was a member of the American Bar

Association Law Student Division. Before joining Messa & Associates, Ms. DiLiberto worked as a Summer Associate with a Delaware corporate law firm and as a law clerk for the Delaware Office of the Public Defender.



RICHARD A. DiLIBERTO, JR., ESQUIRE

Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP Widener University Delaware Law School Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

Rick DiLiberto is a litigation partner in the Wilmington, Delaware law firm of Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP where he is co-chairman of the government relations committee, and has been chairman of the paralegal committee, the personal injury litigation section, and the continuing legal education committee. Before joining the law firm in 1987, he was law clerk to

Judge Vincent A. Bifferato of the Delaware Superior Court. He is believed to be the youngest member of the Delaware Bar to win a jury verdict in excess of \$1 million, which he accomplished in 1990 at age 28. He regularly represents families whose loved ones have been injured or killed by another's negligence. In 2012, he was one of the Young, Conaway lawyers who represented hundreds of Sussex County, Del. children sexually abused by their pediatrician. He helped achieve a historic \$123 million class action resolution for the victims. He is a past-President of the Del. Trial Lawyers Association (DTLA) and is currently DTLA's New Castle County Member at Large.

Mr. DiLiberto served in the Del. State House of Representatives from 1992-2002, where he was a member of the Joint Finance, Judiciary, Public Safety, Corrections, Education, and Health & Human Development. He has been appointed to the Commission on Del. Courts 2000, the Del. Courts Planning Committee, and the Supreme Court Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts. He received the Del. State Bar Association's Daniel L. Herrmann Professional Conduct Award in 2015, Christopher Columbus Monument Committee's "Man of the Year" Award in 2017; DSBA's Distinguished Legislative Service Award, and Widener University Delaware School of Law's Outstanding Alumni Service Award in 1999, the Bloomsburg Univ. Young Alumnus of the Year Award in 2002, and the H. James Conaway, Jr. Pro Bono Award in 2010. Since 2015 he was selected by his peers as a "top lawyer" in torts and insurance in Delaware Today magazine.



ROB A. DiSANDRO, ESQUIRE

Delany McBride Villanova University School of Law '15 St. Joseph's University '12

Rob DiSandro is a litigation associate in the Philadelphia law firm of Delany McBride. Mr. DiSandro concentrates his practice on litigating construction, products liability, catastrophic injury, and personal injury matters. Prior to joining Delany McBride, Mr. DiSandro practiced as an associate at Martin Law, a workers' compensation department of a

regional claimants firm, and litigated cases across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Mr. DiSandro earned his Juris Doctorate *cum laude* from Villanova University School of Law in 2015. While in law school, Mr. DiSandro was a law clerk at Anapol Weiss, a Philadelphia area plaintiffs personal injury law firm. Additionally, he participated in Villanova's Intensive Trial Advocacy Program and the Philadelphia Public Defender Association Externship in which he personally represented criminal defendants during preliminary hearings and bench trials.



CHRISTOPHER L. GIDDINGS, ESQUIRE

Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. Rutger's University School of Law '93 University of Pennsylvania Drexel University

Chris Giddings has been representing accident victims from all walks of life for the last twenty four years. He started his own firm, Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. in 1994 after receiving his Juris Doctorate degree from Rutger's University School of Law in 1993. Before law school, Mr.

Giddings was an electrical engineer working for General Electric. He received his Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering from Drexel University. He also received a Master's in Governmental Administration from the University of Pennsylvania, Fels School of Government. Mr. Giddings's background in engineering has always served him well in his pursuit of negligence claims, especially motor vehicle and premises liability cases where he is uniquely situated to truly understand the expert's methodologies and opinions and then clearly convey those opinions to a jury.

Mr. Giddings has tried cases before juries, judges, and arbitration panels and also regularly participates in alternative dispute resolution including mediations and arbitrations. Mr. Giddings also regularly serves as an arbitrator for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas Compulsory Arbitration Center. He is a member of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association and Pennsylvania Bar Association and is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the United States Federal District Court and the United States Third Circuit Court of Appeals.



WILSON A. GUALPA, ESQUIRE

Morris James LLP
Widener University Delaware Law School '15
University of Delaware '12

Wilson Gualpa is an associate in the Wilmington office of Morris James. Mr. Gualpa focuses his practice on representing clients in personal injury cases, including automobile accidents, premise liability cases, and workers' compensation matters. Mr. Gualpa utlizes his bilingual skills to advocate for Spanish-speaking clients and to ensure his clients are

rightfully compensated. Prior to joining Morris James, Mr. Gualpa practiced as an associate at the Law Offices of Doroshow, Pasquale, Krawitz & Bhaya representing clients in both personal injury and workers' compensation matters. Mr. Gualpa earned his Juris Doctorate from Widener University Delaware Law School in 2015. During law school, Mr. Gualpa interned for the Honorable Aida Waserstein of the New Castle County Family Court of Delaware. Additionally, Mr. Gualpa completed the Widener's Intensive Trial Advocacy Program (ITAP), graduating with a Certificate in Trial Advocacy.



KEVIN G. HEALY, ESQUIRE

Morris James LLP Widener University Delaware Law School '86 University of Delaware '81

Kevin Healy is a founding member of the Morris James' Personal Injury Group, with over 30 years of experience in the area of personal injury litigation. He has dedicated his practice to the representation of individuals injured as a result of the negligent or reckless conduct of others, including auto accidents, truck accidents, motorcycle accidents, pedestrian accidents,

bicycle accidents, and premises accidents. Mr. Healy prides himself in taking a personal interest in his clients and counseling them through a claims process that can be very confusing, frustrating, and unfair. Restoring integrity to the process, and maintaining an even playing field for his clients, are key components to Kevin's approach to each and every case, and critical to achieving a fair and reasonable outcome for his clients.

Mr. Healy earned his Juris Doctorate *cum laude* from Widener University Delaware Law School in 1986. Upon graduation from law school, Mr. Healy clerked for both The Honorable Clarence Taylor and The Honorable Vincent Poppitti of the Delaware Superior Court.



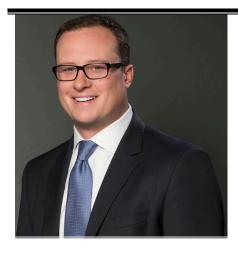
DALE G. LARRIMORE, ESQUIRE

Larrimore & Farnish LLP Villanova University School of Law Swarthmore College

Dale Larrimore is senior partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Larrimore & Farnish, P.C., with a practice concentrated in representing people in civil litigation, motor vehicle and personal injury claims. He has tried major civil litigation in the state and federal courts of Pennsylvania. Mr. Larrimore graduated from Swarthmore College, received his J.D. from Villanova

University School of Law. Mr. Larrimore is listed by Super Lawyers® as one of the top attorneys in Pennsylvania and by Best Lawyers® as one of the best plaintiff personal injury lawyers in Philadelphia. He has an AV-Preeminent rating by Martindale-Hubbell, the highest possible rating for professional excellence, legal knowledge, communication skills and ethical standards.

Mr. Larrimore has served on the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Bar Association and the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, and was Editor-in-Chief of its publication, Verdict, from 2015 to 2017. In 2015, Mr. Larrimore received the For Justice Service Award from the Pennsylvania Association for Justice for his "dedication, professionalism and unwavering commitment to the cause of Justice through raising the bar on education, through compassionate advocacy and contributing to the success of others through active service." In addition to his law practice, he has been an adjunct professor of law at the Widger School of Law at Villanova University since 2014, teaching Pennsylvania Civil Procedure, and he formerly taught the same subject at the Temple University School of Law from 1998 to 2014.



MICHAEL G. OWEN, ESQUIRE

Morris James LLP
Thomas M. Cooley Law School '08
Pennsylvania State University '04

Mike Owen is an associate in Morris James' Personal Injury Group. His practice focuses on all areas of personal injury and workers' compensation. Mr. Owen has experience handling matters through all stages of litigation, including trial before Delaware state courts and hearings before the Delaware Industrial

Accident Board. In addition to litigating personal injury matters, Mr. Owen has served as an Alternative Dispute Resolution arbitrator.

Prior to joining Morris James, Mr. Owen worked for Congressman Michael N. Castle (R-DE) as Deputy Campaign Manager (2004) and later as a constituent advocate before attending law school. Mr. Owen graduated from Thomas M. Cooley Law School where he was Managing Editor of the School's Journal of Practical and Clinical Law. While in law school, Mr. Owen was recognized as a member of the school's Moot Court Team, which competed nationally. Additionally, Mr. Owen clerked for the State of Delaware Attorney General's Office handling criminal matters. Following law school, he worked for an insurance defense law firm, defending personal injury and workers' compensation claims in both Delaware and New Jersey on behalf of a national insurance company. Working for insurance companies has provided Mr. Owen valuable insight when helping injured individuals.



JOSHUA ROSEN, ESQUIRE

Simon & Simon, PC Rutgers University School of Law '10 University of Wisconsin

Josh Rosen is an attorney at Simon & Simon, PC, where he concentrates his practice on personal injury litigation. Mr. Rosen represents injured victims in car accidents, fall downs, wrongful death claims, and medical malpractice

lawsuits. Mr. Rosen is admitted to practice before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Mr. Rosen earned his Juris Doctorate from the Rutgers University School of Law in Camden, New Jersey. During law school, Mr. Rosen worked as a law clerk under Managing Partner, Marc Simon, until his graduation from Rutgers in 2010.

Prior to joining Simon & Simon, P.C., Mr. Rosen was a law clerk at a large Philadelphia law firm where he worked under licensed attorneys on personal injury, contractual, construction, and real estate matters. Additionally, until 2007, Mr. Rosen was a campaign administrator and constituent liaison for U.S. Senator Russ Feingold (D-Wisconsin), in Madison, Wisconsin.



JOSEPH J. RUSSO, ESQUIRE

Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. Widener University School of Law La Salle University

Joseph J. Russo earned his Juris Doctorate from Widener University School of Law in May 2006. He was admitted to the practice of law in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey in November 2006. He began his legal career interning at The Beasley Firm, LLC. He then started working as a legal clerk for the Honorable Frank Palumbo in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas. After interning with

Judge Palumbo for about a year and a half, he began working as an Associate for the Law Firm of Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. in April 2008 handling all types of personal injury cases including car accidents, slip and falls, and medical malpractice. He currently continues to work at Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. dedicating himself to helping personal injury victims.

Joseph is a member of the American Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, and Philadelphia Bar Association. He is also an active member of his community as he previously served as a Democratic Committee Person and currently does some legal work for the Democratic City Committee.



JOHN A. SPITALE, ESQUIRE

Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. Penn State Dickinson Law School '09 University of Pittsburgh

John Spitale earned his Juris Doctorate from the Penn State Dickinson School of Law in 2009. He began his legal career working in Pittsburgh, PA on behalf of large insurance companies. While in Pittsburgh, he focused on catastrophic personal injury and commercial litigation matters. After a few years, Mr. Spitale realized that his personality was better suited for the Plaintiff's side of the personal injury world. In

2011, Mr. Spitale decided to take his knowledge of the inner workings of insurance defense law and apply them in Philadelphia. That same year, Mr. Spitale began working for Christopher L. Giddings on a range of injury cases. In addition, Mr. Spitale is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and Philadelphia Bar Association. He is an active member of his community.



LAUREN D. STONER, ESQUIRE

Wapner, Newman, Wigrizer, Brecher & Miller, P.C. Villanova University School of Law '12 University of Delaware '09

Lauren Stoner is an associate at the Philadelphia law firm of Wapner, Newman, Wigrizer, Brecher & Miller, P.C. Her practice is focused primarily on the representation of victims involved in motor vehicle accidents, slip and falls, premises liability and construction site accidents.

Ms. Stoner is a 2009 graduate of the University of Delaware, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice and English Journalism. She received her Juris Doctor degree in 2012 from the Villanova University School of Law. During law school, Ms. Stoner completed an externship with the Pennsylvania Innocence Project, which works to secure exonerations for the wrongfully convicted.

She is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, as well as the United States District Court of New Jersey. Ms. Stoner is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, New Jersey Bar Association, and the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association. In her time away from the office, Ms. Stoner enjoys volunteering for numerous local musical arts organizations and running in charity-sponsored races which benefit the sick and disabled.



REBECCA M. WADDELL, ESQUIRE

Post & Post LLC Villanova University School of Law '00 University of Michigan '96 Johns Hopkins University '94

Rebecca Waddell is a partner in the Berwyn law firm of Post & Post LLC. Ms. Waddell focuses her practice on medical malpractice defense and health care law. Prior to coming to Post and Post, Rebecca served as Associate General Counsel for The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia where she worked extensively with

physicians and other clinicians in litigation matters. While at CHOP, Ms. Waddell gained experience with general liability, workers compensation and commercial litigation matters. She also gained experience formulating and drafting hospital policies, and delivered multiple presentations regarding medical malpractice, changes in the law and other issues related to hospital practice.

Ms. Waddell graduated from the Villanova University School of Law in 2000, where she was co-president of the Health Law Society. While in law school, Ms. Waddell clerked for a local civil defense litigation firm. After graduation, Ms. Waddell continued practicing civil defense litigation at a large firm in Center City where she represented physicians and hospitals in malpractice cases and other matters. In addition, Ms. Waddell graduated from Johns Hopkins University in 1994 with a Bachelor's degree in History. Ms. Waddell also has a Master's degree in Health Care Administration from the University of Michigan which she received in 1996.



SHARICE WALLACE, ESQUIRE

Locks Law Firm
Villanova University School of Law '04
Pennsylvania State University

Sharice Cummings Wallace is an Associate in the Philadelphia office of Locks Law Firm. Ms. Wallace has experience representing clients in state and federal courts and administrative agencies in areas of labor, employment, civil rights, education, transactional, regulatory and appellate law. Ms. Wallace earned her undergraduate degrees in Political Science

and Economics from The Pennsylvania State University, and her law degree from Villanova University School of Law. During law school, Ms. Wallace served as a research assistant for former Assistant Dean Sheilah Vance, Esquire, as a judicial extern for the Honorable Thomas N. O'Neill, Jr. in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and as a legal intern for the Philadelphia School District's Office of General Counsel. Ms. Wallace also served as a Staff Writer and Managing Editor of Student Work for the Sports and Entertainment Law Journal, President of the Black Law Students Association, and Student Attorney in the Federal Tax Clinic. At her law school graduation, Ms. Wallace received the Faculty Service Award. She is currently a member of the Villanova Law Minority Alumni Society Leadership Board. Prior to joining Locks Law Firm, Ms. Wallace served as a law clerk for the Honorable Sandy L.V. Byrd in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas and the Honorable Doris A. Smith-Ribner in the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania.



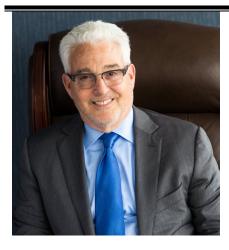
DEBRA A. WEINRICH, ESQUIRE

White and Williams LLP
Rutgers University School of Law '04
Thomas Jefferson University '83

Debbie Weinrich is a partner at the Philadelphia law firm of White and Williams. Drawing on her clinical nursing experience, Ms. Weinrich primarily focuses her legal practice on defending medical malpractice claims. She is responsible for developing and preparing all aspects of the defense in complex medical malpractice litigation on behalf of a variety of

healthcare clients, including physicians, nurses and other healthcare personnel, as well as hospitals, multi-site healthcare systems and physicians' practice groups. In addition to medical malpractice matters, Ms. Weinrich practices in the areas of construction litigation and premises liability, as well as nursing licensure matters.

Ms. Weinrich practiced as a registered nurse for nearly 10 years, principally in the area of Maternal-Newborn Services, and was certified in inpatient obstetrics. This background provides a distinct advantage in the investigation, discovery and trial phases of litigation, not only substantively, but also from an emotional standpoint for the practitioners experiencing litigation. As recognized in Philadelphia Magazine, Debbie was selected in a survey of her peers as a Pennsylvania "Rising Star" by Super Lawyers® in 2013 and 2014.



SOL H. WEISS, ESQUIRE

Anapol Weiss
Villanova University School of Law '72

Sol Weiss is a founding partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Anapol Weiss. Mr. Weiss concentrates his practice on complex civil litigation including class actions and pharmaceutical cases, medical and other professional malpractice, securities litigation and products liability matters. Mr. Weiss has played crucial roles in high-profile, national lawsuits including the National Football League Players' Concussion Injury Litigation, in which he serves as Co-Lead Counsel. In Pennsylvania, he is among Lead Class Counsel in the Kids for

Cash civil rights litigation. Mr. Weiss was named 2014 Lawyer of the Year in Mass Tort and Class Action Litigation by Philadelphia's Best Lawyers, and he has been named in The Best Lawyers in America® since 2006. He was also featured on the cover of the 2011 edition of Philadelphia's Best Lawyers®.

Mr. Weiss earned his Juris Doctor degree from Villanova University School of Law in 1972, where he is an active member of the Board of Consultors. Mr. Weiss served on the Executive Committee of the American Association of Justice (AAJ) for five years and still serves on its Board of Governors. He is a past President of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates. In 2009, Mr. Weiss received the AAJ Harry M. Philo award as the Association's outstanding trial lawyer for his work on limiting Federal Preemption. In 2011, he received the prestigious David S. Shrager President's Award for extraordinary service to the Association.



JAMIE WIGGINS, ESQUIRE

Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. Villanova University School of Law Pennsylvania State University

Jamie Wiggins began her legal career with Christopher L. Giddings, P.C. as a paralegal in 2008. While working tirelessly on behalf of the victims of negligence including those suffering from serious injuries as a result of car accidents, slip and falls, medical malpractice, work place accidents and more she enrolled in Villanova

University School of Law where she earned her Juris Doctorate degree in May of 2014. While at Villanova Law, Jamie excelled in the areas of trial advocacy and client counseling and became a member of the esteemed Villanova University School of Law's National Trial Team. Her team went on to place first in the region and second in the country, beating out at total of 105 teams from all across the country at the ABA Labor Law National Trial Competition in 2014. She is a recipient of the 2014 American Bankruptcy Institute Medal of Excellence as well as the Wyn Llewellyn Award for Client Counseling.

Now, as an Associate Attorney at Christopher L. Giddings, P.C., Jamie continues to focus her talents in civil litigation and remains dedicated to helping personal injury victims. She is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association and is admitted to the practice of law in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey.