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Mark D. Shifton focuses his practice in the areas of complex civil and commercial litigation and products liability in both New Jersey and New York. He has extensive experience representing manufacturers, distributors, and retailers of a wide variety of consumer, recreational, and industrial products in both individual and class actions in state and federal courts. Mark also represents numerous ski resorts, ice rinks, gymnasiums, exercise facilities, and soccer arenas in claims of personal injury, and routinely advises such clients as to risk management issues.

Mark received his Bachelor of Arts degree, with highest distinction, from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He earned his Juris Doctorate from Fordham University School of Law in New York City, where he was the Notes and Articles Editor of the Fordham Urban Law Journal, and was active on the Moot Court Board. Mark is also an active member of the New Jersey and Mercer County Bar Associations. Prior to becoming an attorney, Mark was an Emergency Medical Technician in New York.

Mark's personal interests include wreck diving off the Jersey Shore, adding to a list of never-ending home improvement projects, and taking his two children and their Shiba Inu to the local dog run.

Mark is a graduate of the David Rhoads American Inn of Court, and was recently named a 2011 Rising Star by the New Jersey edition of *Super Lawyers*.

Practice Areas

- Product Liability Litigation
- Recreational Product Liability – Risk Management and Litigation
- Recreational/Sports Risk Management and Litigation
- Complex Civil Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Commercial Litigation

Education

- State University of New York at Buffalo, B.A.
- Fordham University School of Law, J.D.
 - Notes and Articles Editor, Fordham Urban Law Journal
 - Associate Editor, Fordham Moot Court Board
 - Senior Member, Brendan C. Moore Trial Advocates
 - Best Brief Award, 2001 I. Maurice Wormser Moot Court Competition

Admitted to Practice

- New Jersey
- New York
- United States District Court, District of New Jersey
- United States District Court, Southern District of New York
- United States District Court, Eastern District of New York
- United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

Professional Affiliations

- New Jersey State Bar Association
 - Young Lawyers Division
 - Product Liability and Toxic Tort Section
 - Civil Trial Bar Section
- New Jersey Defense Association
- Mercer County Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute
 - Product Liability Committee
 - Retail and Hospitality Committee
- U.S. Green Building Council, New Jersey Chapter

Publications/Speaking

- Identity Crisis: The Obsolescence of *Jasopersaud v. Rho* and the Medical Malpractice Expert Exception, 30 Fordham Urb. L.J. 2061 (2003)
- The Restatement (Third) of Torts: Products Liability – The ALI’s Cure for Prescription Drug Design Liability, 29 Fordham Urb. L.J. 2343 (2002)

Civic Activities

- Volunteer, Pet Rescue of Mercer

