

Daniel D. Krebbs

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With three decades of litigation experience, Dan is a trusted advocate for clients facing complex, high-exposure claims. He focuses his practice on the defense of catastrophic matters involving Trucking & Transportation Liability, Premises & Retail Liability, Property Litigation, Construction Injury Litigation, Automobile Liability, and other serious casualty claims.

Dan is recognized for his ability to navigate high-stakes litigation with precision and efficiency. He has tried numerous civil cases to verdict in state and federal courts throughout Pennsylvania, consistently delivering results that protect his clients' interests. By collaborating with leading medical, vocational, and construction experts, he develops defense strategies that not only withstand scrutiny but also drive down potential exposure and settlement costs.

Honored in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, Dan is widely regarded for his experience and results in catastrophic and complex litigation. Clients and insurers rely on him for his strategic insight, courtroom skill, and unwavering commitment to achieving the best possible outcomes when the stakes are highest.

As a senior shareholder in Marshall Dennehey's largest department, Dan also serves as a resource and mentor to colleagues, sharing his trial experience and deep knowledge of casualty law to strengthen the team and advance client success.

Education

- Widener University Delaware Law School (J.D., 1994)
- Duquesne University (B.A., 1990)

Admissions

- Pennsylvania, 1994

Practices

- Trucking & Transportation Liability
- Catastrophic Claims Litigation
- Construction Injury Litigation
- Premises & Retail Liability
- First-Party Property
- Automobile Liability

- U.S. Bankruptcy Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1998

Honors & Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants (2023-2027)
- BV® Distinguished™ Rating by LexisNexis Martindale-Hubbell

Associations & Memberships

- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Philadelphia Bar Association

Classes/Seminars Taught

- *Negligent Security Claims*, Marshall Dennehey Client Presentation, January 25th, 2023
- *Uninsured/Underinsured Motorists Update*, Dispute Resolution Institute's (DRI) 2021 Personal Injury Practicum, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November, 2021
- *Landowner Liability For Third Party Criminal Acts*, CLE Presentation for PBI, December 2005
- *Defending The Automobile Injury Case*, Presented for The Institute of Paralegal Education, June 23, 2004

Published Works

- "Tuning Out The Siren Song Of Sales Displays," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 13, No. 4, December 2007
- "The Pennsylvania Superior Court Invalidates Rule 212.2 Sanctions," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 8, No. 4, December 2002
- "Plaintiff in Products Liability Suit Permitted To Introduce Evidence Of Subsequent Design Change," *The Journal of the Allegheny County Bar Association*, March 9, 2001 and *Defense Digest*, Vol. 6, No. 6, December 2000

Significant Representative Matters

- Successfully defeated a tort action with claims for compensatory and punitive damages where the demand at trial was \$3 million by convincing the jury that my client's alleged conduct was not the proximate cause of the plaintiff's post-traumatic epilepsy and cognitive impairment.
- Successfully defeated a tort action brought on behalf of a minor pedestrian severely injured following a collision with the client driver by convincing the jury that the client was not negligent. The demand at trial was \$1.5 million.
- Successfully defeated a tort action where the demand was \$1.5 million at trial for a claim by an injured security guard who fell from a loading dock sustaining significant injuries to her neck, shoulder, wrist and low back, by convincing the jury that the client was not negligent in maintaining the property.
- Through the use of a construction management expert, an architect and a real estate expert, I was able to bring the plaintiffs' settlement demand down from \$1 million to \$100,000 in a case involving claims of negligent construction management.
- With our use of medical experts, vocational experts and an expert civil engineer, the plaintiff's settlement demand was reduced from \$1.25 million to \$375, 000 in a product liability matter.

Representative Cases

- *Deverant v. Selective Insurance Company, Inc.*, 2003 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 1204 (E.D. Pa. 2003)
 - *Transamerican Office Furniture v. Traveler's Property & Casualty, et al*, 222 F.Supp.2d 689 (E.D.Pa.)
 - *Sieradzki v. Realen Homes Construction Company, et al*, 34 Pa. D&C 4th 264 (1997)
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Results

Delaware County Jury Awards Only \$500 Each to Plaintiffs Seeking Over \$500,000

Daniel D. Krebbs, with support from **Osama Samad** (all of Philadelphia) secured an outstanding trial result in a Delaware County motor vehicle case where plaintiffs claimed significant injuries from a rear end collision, treated for months, underwent nerve blocks and ablations, and each presented life care plans exceeding \$500,000. Their last demand was \$98,500 per plaintiff, and they accused the carrier of bad faith failure to settle within limits. During opening statements, the jury audibly reacted when informed that plaintiffs' medical expert had been paid \$1.5 million in 2024 by plaintiffs' counsel. Liability and causation were admitted, so the trial focused solely on damages. The jury initially returned a zero damages verdict before being instructed to deliberate further. Ten minutes later, they awarded \$500 to each plaintiff — a resounding defense win.