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Michael is a member of the firm's Fraud and Special Investigation Unit (SIU) group. His practice primarily involves staged motor vehicle collisions, fraud ring investigations, and medical provider fraud matters. Michael has litigated and filed affirmative litigation recovery actions in many states as his practice is national. In addition, he has taken Examinations Under Oath in private passenger auto, commercial and first party property matters throughout the country. Michael has extensive experience in handling insurance coverage disputes, SIU investigations, bad faith allegations, and general defense litigation.

Before joining Marshall Dennehey, Michael was litigation counsel for multiple insurance carriers including a Fortune 40 company and the largest automobile insurer in the United States. His areas of practice included representation of clients in both first and third party litigation involving premises liability, automobile negligence, insurance coverage, and personal injury protection (PIP) benefits. Michael also trained insurance claims representatives, presented seminars on litigation procedures, and was selected to work on a national process management initiative for 38 offices and over 1,200 employees.

In 2018, Michael earned the "Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter" (CPCU) designation from the American Institute of Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters. He is admitted to practice in the state of New Jersey.

Education

- Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law (J.D., 2007)
- University of Delaware (B.A., 2004)

Admissions

- New Jersey, 2008
- New York, 2026

Practices

- Fraud/Special Investigation
- Insurance Services – Coverage & Bad Faith Litigation
- Automobile Liability
- Trucking & Transportation Liability
- Workers' Compensation Defense

Associations & Memberships

- Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter, (CPCU) 2018

Published Works

- "Beyond Bad Faith: Expanding Bad Faith Damages Fraud-Fighting." *Journal of Insurance Fraud in America*, The Coalition Against Insurance Fraud, March 3, 2022
- "Mandatory Policy Limit Disclosure: How Pre-suit Negotiations in NJ Are Set to Change." *New Jersey Law Journal*, September 3, 2021

Classes/Seminars Taught

- *Exploring Bad Faith – Practical Discussion of Bad Faith Law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey*, Marshall Dennehey Insurance Fraud 360 Seminar, Lafayette Hill, PA, June, 2022

Thought Leadership

March 1, 2025

Exposing the Scam: Fighting Staged Accident Fraud with Tech & Litigation

March 3, 2022

Beyond Bad Faith: Expanding Bad Faith Damages Fraud-Fighting

September 3, 2021

Mandatory Policy Limit Disclosure: How Pre-suit Negotiations in NJ Are Set to Change