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Michael M. Zaitz is a partner in the firm's Construction Litigation department. He has significant experience representing public and private clients in the insurance, investment banking, advertising, manufacturing, communications, sports, retail, and healthcare industries. Michael handles litigation involving construction, property damage, personal injury, commercial, real property, partnership, limited liability company (LLC), employment, and licensing and sponsorship disputes.

Areas of Concentration:

- Insurance defense
- Construction accident cases
- Premises liability

Practices

- Construction Litigation
- Labor Law
- Large Exposure, Catastrophe and Event Response
- Commercial Real Estate Leasing
- General Liability, Tort and Insurance Defense

Industries

- Construction
- Financial Institutions

- Insurance
- Real Estate

Bar Admissions

- New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

Education

- J.D., Boston University, cum laude, 1988
- B.A., Binghamton University, 1985

Representative Experience

- Defended masonry subcontractor in multi-party construction defect action arising from a claim that faulty installation of stone veneer caused water damage to the entire building complex.
- Defended electrical subcontractor in multi-party fire damage case involving property, extra expense, and builders' risk damage claims related to work performed at an Upper East Side synagogue.
- Defended Queens homeowners' association in multiple actions for alleged civil rights violations, breach of contract, and intentional torts.
- Secured \$1 million judgment in favor of limited partner in hedge fund against majority member of fund's general partner.
- Obtained multiple judgments in favor of NHL franchise in relation to sponsorship and suite lease agreements.