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Virginia Harper is an associate in the Construction Litigation practice group. Her practice includes defense litigation related to New York State Labor Law, construction defect and transportation liability, representing property owners, developers, general contractors, construction managers, sub-contractors, and municipal entities. Virginia's experience includes all aspects of litigation through trial, appeal, and petitions for review to state and federal Supreme Courts. She has also represented clients in Alternative Dispute Resolution, including arbitrations and mediations. Virginia's engineering background makes her a skilled advocate in defending cases with technical issues concerning structures, equipment, machinery and other instrumentalities.

In addition to construction accident litigation, Virginia has extensive experience in defending corporations in personal injury actions arising from aviation and maritime accidents, product liability injuries, and premise liability accidents. Virginia has also represented corporate clients before federal and agencies, including the Federal Aviation Administration and the Consumer Products Safety Division, as well as the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. In addition, Virginia has experience in estate litigation, planning and administration.

Practices

- Construction Litigation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)
- Appellate Litigation
- Construction Defect
- Labor Law
- Large Exposure, Catastrophe and Event Response
- Products Liability

- General Liability, Tort and Insurance Defense
- Asbestos
- Personal Injury/ Negligence
- Premises Liability
- Property Damage
- Transportation Liability
- Estate Planning
- Trust and Estate Administration
- Wills, Trusts and Estate Litigation

Industries

- Construction

Bar Admissions

- New York and New Jersey State Courts
- The United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit,
- The United States District Courts for the Southern District of New York
- The United States District Courts for the Eastern District of New York
- The District of New Jersey.

Education

- J.D., Cornell Law School, 1988 with a concentration in Advocacy
- S.B., Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering, 1983

Professional and Community Activities

- Secretary, Ridgewood Women's Club, Ridgewood New Jersey: Charitable and Philanthropic Organization