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Workers’ Compensation

The Workers' Compensation Group of Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C. has a large defense practices in northwestern Pennsylvania. We have extensive experience in workers' compensation litigation and represent many large employers in the area. We also work with a wide array of insurance companies, self-insured entities, and adjusting companies.

An attorney who receives a file assignment performs a detailed analysis, which is communicated promptly to the client. The objective is to place the employer and insurer in a position that minimizes or eliminates continuing liability. We regularly consult with our clients to recommend courses of action that address not only the issue at hand but also long-term planning needs.

We also remain mindful of the client's bottom line at all times, working to control costs while maintaining high standards of service. We do everything we can to get to know a client, including visiting the worksite, preparing witnesses, and conducting investigations. We seek to familiarize ourselves with the employer's benefit programs and procedures, including short-term and long-term benefit plans, return-to-work policies, and light-duty programs.

The practice of workers' compensation law is constantly changing. Our attorneys take continuing legal education seriously and keep abreast of new decisions that may be used to our clients' advantage.

The group handles all facets of workers' compensation law, including:

- Defense of claim, review, reinstatement, and penalty petitions
- Presentation of modifications, suspension, and termination petitions
- Settlement of claims
- Strategic planning and case management
- Consultation and file review

While we work most often in administrative settings, we are experienced litigators who often appear before the commonwealth and supreme courts representing clients' interests. Practicing throughout northwestern Pennsylvania, our attorneys are familiar with the medical care providers throughout the region and with the vocational rehabilitation consultants serving the area.

Collaborating with other groups in our firm is a hallmark of our service to clients. We work closely with the firm's Labor & Employment, Business & Tax, Litigation, and Governmental Practice Groups to provide the comprehensive legal resources to meet each client's unique needs.

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