

## Insurance Law

Bullivant Houser Bailey's insurance coverage attorneys provide national and local representation to insurers in claim-related and regulatory matters, giving advice, and defending contractual and extra-contractual litigation. Our clients operate in a challenging environment in which seemingly minor decisions may have significant ramifications. With each assignment, we pay particular attention to the risks and costs associated with the individual matter, and to the potential enterprise and industry-wide implications of each issue and defense.

Bullivant's insurance coverage group has more than 20 full-time lawyers who counsel and represent participants in the insurance industry. Our coverage lawyers are recognized nationally and internationally as authorities in the insurance and reinsurance fields. Many of our attorneys are licensed in multiple jurisdictions, and are able to assist with coverage matters across the country.

Our insurance coverage group includes specialists in almost every type of policy, including:

- Commercial property
- Boiler and machinery
- Ocean marine
- Inland marine
- Builder's risk
- Fidelity and commercial crime
- E&O, D&O, EPLI/EBLI
- Commercial and personal automobile
- Homeowners'
- Personal liability
- Umbrella liability
- Commercial general liability

Our focus on the insurance industry from an enterprise and industry-wide perspective means that all of our lawyers understand that the implications of extra-contractual claims against insurers can and do extend beyond the particular case being handled. We regularly work with our clients to avoid, control, and when necessary, defend against "bad faith" and other tort claims. We defend class actions and multi-district litigation as well as individual claim disputes, and we assist underwriting departments with regulatory issues and policy drafting.

Many of Bullivant's insurance industry services attorneys hold leadership positions in national professional organizations and teach, speak, and write on insurance-related issues. One of our lawyers is an ARIAS Certified reinsurance arbitrator and many of our lawyers have worked as court-appointed or privately retained mediators, appraisers, umpires, and arbitrators.

In addition to knowing the law and substance of their practice area, our lawyers are problem solvers with common sense and good judgment who are called upon to handle matters throughout the United States. We are experienced trial attorneys with well-honed courtroom skills, effective advocates in mediations and arbitrations, and seasoned advisors who can help clients weigh the risks and rewards of competing strategic options.