

JOSEPH P. TUCKER

85 Miller Avenue, Tarrytown, New York 10591

C: (914) 523-2265; joseph.tucker30@aol.com

SUMMARY

Developed and managed a 140 attorney nationwide in-house litigation department for a Fortune 500 company and engaged in 30 years of sophisticated first-chair litigation, trial and appellate legal practice focusing on local and national legal matters.

MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

Fidelity National Financial, Inc., New York, New York

Senior Vice President, Director of Major Litigation - May 2013 - Present

Senior Vice President, National Director of Litigation – 2010 - May 2013

Vice President, Managing Attorney for New York In-House Litigation Group – 2009 - 2010

Management Highlights

- Developed management structure to efficiently absorb and manage approximately 5,000 complex litigation cases with potential exposure of hundreds of millions of dollars in 16 states from pleadings through appeal;
- Responsible for recruiting attorneys and managers necessary to increase staff to more than 240 employees including 140 attorneys and 100 support staff;
- Created and supervised Major Claims Group consisting of experienced attorneys to defend and prosecute multi-million dollar cases;
- Established and supervised Recoupment Group to pursue judgments and collection from responsible third-parties;
- Crafted metrics and reporting methods and utilized video communications to manage, educate, monitor and supervise remote managers and litigation offices including conducting management meetings, trial strategy sessions and mock oral arguments for scheduled appellate appearances;
- Managed a litigation budget of more than \$20M;
- Engaged off-shore litigation support group in India;
- Developed comprehensive conflict checking system to insure compliance with ethical standards;
- Developed system to insure compliance with more than 3,000 civil and criminal subpoenas served on Company annually by attorneys, prosecutors and various regulators.

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE

Kurzman, Karelsen & Frank, LLP, New York, New York

Litigation Partner - October 2002 to December 2009

Gursky & Ederer, LLP, New York, New York

Litigation Team Leader - December 2001 to August 2002

Rosner, Murray & Tucker, LLP, New York, New York

Litigation Partner – November 1998 to December 2001

Rosner Bresler Goodman & Unterman, LLP, New York, New York

Litigation Associate - June 1996 to October 1998

Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, Brooklyn, New York

Senior Assistant District Attorney – September 1992 to May 1996

Engaged in the practice of complex litigation including the prosecution and defense of commercial, corporate, criminal, employment, real estate, securities, trademark, and product liability matters; conducted all facets of the litigation process including (i) determining viability of potential litigation matters, (ii) developing litigation strategy, (iii) conducting discovery, (iv) researching legal issues, writing and arguing motions, (v) litigating jury trials in state and federal courts and (v) drafting and arguing appellate briefs; reviewing, researching legal issues, drafting various agreements and proffering legal advice as part of the general representation of public and private companies in connection with their ongoing operations.

Litigation Highlights

- First-chaired dozens of civil and criminal trials in state and federal courts during twenty-five years of diverse and sophisticated litigation practice;
- Obtained an equitable lien for four lenders after a 38-day trial in New Jersey state court against a prominent real estate developer;
- Obtained an acquittal, after a five-week jury trial in the Southern District of New York, for the former worldwide treasurer of Texaco, Inc. indicted on charges of obstruction of justice;
- Obtained a jury verdict for plaintiff in accounting malpractice action in Nassau Supreme Court which resulted in award of attorney's fees and punitive damages against two accountants;
- Won summary judgment for defendant in long-standing trademark dispute in matter highlighted in New York Law Journal dated October 6, 2009 entitled *Vincent's of Mott Street, Inc. v. Quadami, Inc.* 05-CV-4358;

- Supervised a team of litigators prosecuting trademark and copyright infringement matters on behalf of retail clients including Addidas, Calvin Klein, Fubu and Nike; obtained a six million dollar judgment in favor of Fubu after a lengthy federal court trial against foreign trademark infringers;
- Drafted and argued dozens of criminal and civil appeals before the New York Supreme Court Appellate Term, New York Supreme Court Appellate Division and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit;
- Conducted investigations and prosecuted felony criminal cases in Kings County Supreme Court including (i) a seven month investigation into a patient homicide and the repeated escapes from Kingsboro Psychiatric Center by other criminally insane patients; (ii) the conviction of an arsonist responsible for a five alarm fire causing the destruction of the historic Hotel St. George in downtown Brooklyn; (iii) the conviction of members of a gang who kidnapped and raped several victims and (iv) the investigation, indictment and conviction of an attorney who created a mortgage lending Ponzi scheme that defrauded hundreds of victims out of approximately \$10,000,000.00 in lost investments.

EDUCATION

Fordham University School of Law, New York, New York
Juris Doctorate 1992

City University of New York, Brooklyn, New York
B.S. Accounting 1988

* Completed undergraduate and law degrees while
employed full-time as a New York City Firefighter

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of New York, 1992
Southern District of New York, 1993
Eastern District of New York, 1995
United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

Joseph P. Tucker

85 Miller Avenue, Tarrytown, New York 10591

C: (914) 523-2265 | joseph.tucker30@aol.com

[5 March 2025]

Re: Application for Trial Attorney Position

Dear Hiring Manager,

I am eager to bring my **30 years of first-chair trial experience** and deep expertise in real estate litigation as a **Trial Attorney**. Throughout my career, I have built litigation teams, tackled high-stakes disputes, and fought for my clients in courtrooms across New York and beyond. I thrive in the fast-paced world of trial advocacy, and I am excited about the opportunity to contribute my skills to your firm's success.

As **Senior Vice President and Director of Major Litigation at Fidelity National Financial**, I managed a nationwide team of **140 litigators handling 5,000+ cases** with potential exposure in the hundreds of millions. I built and led elite litigation groups focused on high-value real estate disputes, successfully defending and prosecuting complex cases from pleadings through appeal. Before that, as a **litigation partner in top New York firms**, I secured major courtroom victories, including obtaining an equitable lien for lenders after a 38-day trial against a prominent real estate developer and winning multimillion-dollar judgments in trademark and commercial disputes.

What excites me most about this role is the chance to get back into the courtroom, **arguing motions, cross-examining witnesses, and shaping case law**. My passion for trial work was honed early in my career as a **Senior Assistant District Attorney in Brooklyn**, where I prosecuted felony cases and led investigations into financial fraud, arson, and organized crime. Whether trying real estate disputes, commercial cases, or complex financial matters, I thrive on the challenge of building compelling legal arguments and securing favorable outcomes for my clients.

I am eager to bring my **strategic litigation skills, courtroom confidence, and leadership experience** to your firm. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to your team. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience to arrange a conversation.

Thank you for your time and consideration—I look forward to your response.

Best regards,

Joseph P. Tucker