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## *Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation*

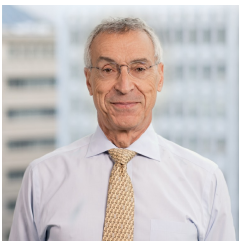
Combining our trial and appellate strengths allows us to shape litigation strategy from the outset to maximize the likelihood of ultimate success.

Our seasoned appellate lawyers have argued more than 140 cases before the US Supreme Court, including leading cases in areas such as antitrust, banking law, bankruptcy, communications, constitutional law, employment, energy regulation, federal preemption, patent, securities regulation and tax. We regularly handle matters in federal and state appellate courts throughout the United States, and have represented clients in more than 50 patent and other cases in the Federal Circuit in the last two years. In 2018, 31 different lawyers presented 52 oral arguments across 16 state and federal appeals courts. Clients retain us to advise them on complex and often unsettled legal issues.

WilmerHale's Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice, with members in Washington DC, New York, Boston and Los Angeles, has been honored by *Chambers USA* every year since 2005. *Chambers* has called our team a "bench of talent that is 'impressive beyond belief'" and cited our "built-in ability and knowledge to tackle appeals both before the state, federal and Supreme courts." *The National Law Journal* named the group to the Appellate Hot List for the 11th consecutive year in 2018, and recognized WilmerHale as the Washington DC Litigation Department of the Year in the General Litigation category in 2017. The group has also been recognized as a leader in appellate advocacy by *U.S. News - Best Lawyers*, *Benchmark* and *Law360*, which has named WilmerHale to its "Practice Group of the Year" series for six consecutive years.

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## Recognition



### ***National Tier 1 in Appellate Practice 2019***

*U.S. News – Best Lawyers*

CONSISTENTLY RECOGNIZED AS A TOP-TIER FIRM



### ***Appellate Hot List 2018***

*The National Law Journal*

NAMED TO THIS LIST FOR THE 11TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR



### ***Top-Tier Appellate Practice***

*The Legal 500 United States*

TIER 1 RANKING IN 2018

- ***The National Law Journal*** included WilmerHale's Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice in its "Appellate Hot List" in 2018 for the 11th consecutive year, and in 2017 named WilmerHale the Washington DC Litigation Department of the Year in the General Litigation category. In addition, Partners Mark Fleming and Danielle Spinelli were named Appellate Lawyer of the Week in 2011 and 2010, respectively.
- ***Chambers USA*** has recognized the firm's Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice since 2005, including with a Band 1 ranking in 2018. Clients praise the group, saying "they have an incredibly deep appellate bench with experience at all circuits as well as the Supreme Court that is second to none." In 2016, Partner Seth Waxman was cited as a star individual, with sources calling him "simply the best appellate lawyer in the country right now" and a "powerhouse." Partner Paul Wolfson is described as a "wonderful writer and a phenomenal thinker," and Partner Danielle Spinelli is noted for her "very good academic knowledge" and "detailed and methodical arguments."
- In ***U.S. News - Best Lawyers'*** 2013–2019 Best Law Firms rankings, our Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice ranked in the first tier nationally and in Boston and Washington DC.
- ***The Legal 500 United States*** ranked WilmerHale's Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice in the top tier in the 2018 edition of its annual guidebook, and commended the firm for its "superb pedigree before the US Supreme Court."
- In January 2016, Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice Chair Seth Waxman, a former US Solicitor General, was recognized as Litigator of the Year by ***The American Lawyer***. Waxman has delivered 80 oral arguments in the US Supreme Court and many more in the lower federal and state courts.

- In April 2016, Partners Thomas Saunders and Catherine Carroll were named two of *Law360*'s six Appellate Rising Stars. Partner Felicia Ellsworth was also selected as one of five Trial Rising Stars.
- *Law360* named WilmerHale's Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice a "Practice Group of the Year" for six consecutive years (2010–2016). This annual series highlights up to five practice groups that notched the biggest litigation victories or deals of the year. The publication has also recognized Partner Mark Fleming as an "MVP of the Year" with distinction in appellate law (2011) and Partner Seth Waxman as an "Appellate MVP of the Year" (2014).
- According to *Law360*, in the 2013 US Supreme Court term, WilmerHale had more arguments than any other firm, with seven in the term. In addition, the firm's five wins were the most achieved by any firm.
- WilmerHale, along with Partner Greg Lantier, received *Managing IP*'s 2019 Impact Case of the Year award for its work for PNC Bank in *PNC Bank National Association v Secure Access*. In 2015, the firm and Partner Seth Waxman received *Managing IP*'s Supreme Court Milestone Case of the Year award for the successful representation of POM in *POM Wonderful v. Coca-Cola*.
- *Benchmark Litigation* 2013 recognized WilmerHale's Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice nationally. In addition, *Benchmark Appellate* 2013 specifically praised our Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice with a first-tier national ranking and highly recommended the group in Washington DC and in the US Courts of Appeal for the First and Federal Circuits.