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PRODUCT AND TORT LIABILITY LITIGATION

Our Clients

Katten handles a broad range of product, premises and other tort liability claims for manufacturers, retailers, distributors, real estate owners, contractors and other businesses. We have represented clients in individual and class action matters involving a range of products, including medical devices, chemicals, consumer products, automotive, sporting goods, safety and industrial equipment, construction materials, and protective gear.

Our Services

The attorneys on Katten's Product and Tort Liability Litigation team form a deep, experienced bench standing ready to step in and protect our clients at a moment's notice. We regularly try high-exposure product, premises and other tort cases to verdict in federal and state courts, and bring a measured, strategic approach to cases across the country. Katten serves as national, regional, statewide or trial counsel, providing the resources appropriate to the case at hand in an efficient and effective manner.

Our team moves quickly to thoroughly investigate and evaluate exposure, retain the right experts and, as appropriate, work with clients' insurers. We determine early on which cases are defensible, which present unique opportunities for industry defense, and—most importantly—which do not. When a trial is called for, our trial lawyers stand ready to take the case to verdict, with a proven track record of successful results before juries.

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- *BTI Litigation Outlook 2018*
 - Class Actions Honor Roll
- *U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms"*
 - Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants (National, Los Angeles) 2019, 2018



Several Katten attorneys hold advanced degrees in technical and scientific fields and have relevant industry experience. We maintain relationships with experts in virtually every field, including engineering, industrial hygiene, chemistry and material science, fire, safety equipment, computer forensics, engineering forensics, failure analysis, toxicology, construction, architecture, industry standards, government regulations, biomechanics, product design, human factors, medicine, life care planning, economics, product warnings, and accident reconstruction.

A significant portion of our practice is devoted to helping clients avoid litigation involving the products they sell. We routinely advise on the risks related to testing, marketing and labeling, warnings, and other product liability issues. This includes the unique issues that may confront clients facing a product recall or a government investigation. We also work closely with clients to develop corporate product liability policies and consult on new product development.

Drawing from extensive, real-world experience defending nearly every type of tort action, complex litigation and class action, Katten's Product and Tort Liability team develops strategies that not only increase the chances of a successful resolution, but minimize defense costs. Even the most careful and conscientious business cannot avoid the risks associated with the design, manufacture and sale of products. Katten attorneys do not simply point out these risks—we help clients address the risks while accomplishing their business objectives.

Our Experience

- Lead counsel in the defense of a maker of food storage, home storage, disposable cookware and tableware, and trash disposal products in an industrial accident involving traumatic brain injuries. Case was successfully settled.
- Lead trial counsel in the successful representation of a company in premises liability and catastrophic tort lawsuit involving quadriplegic injuries from a swimming pool incident and a request for eight-figure damages. After a long trial, plaintiff voluntarily dismissed with prejudice, and an extremely favorable settlement was obtained on behalf of defendant.
- Lead trial counsel in the successful representation of a large national dairy company in catastrophic tort lawsuit involving wrongful death claim and quadriplegic injuries. Defense verdict in first trial, and after appeal, a second trial is pending.
- Lead trial counsel in the successful defense of a publicly traded company in a wrongful death action arising from the death of a senior executive of another company. Defense verdict at third and final trial of the matter after an eight-figure jury demand by a nationally known Florida plaintiff lawyer.