

## INSURANCE EXPERIENCE

**Client Name:** Insurance Experience

### **General Insurance Experience**

- Regularly counsel corporate clients on insurance issues. For example, we help clients sort through multiple policies issued over multiple periods to assess potential applicable coverage.
- Provide opinion letters to clients on coverage issues.
- Assist clients where insurer has denied coverage or defended under a reservation of rights.
- Representation of an insurance provider in major disability actions in both state and federal court.
- Represented a disability carrier in breach of contract, bad faith and punitive damages case where we prevailed on summary judgment on the bad faith and punitive damages claims.
- Represented a life insurance company where plaintiff sued under a business overhead insurance policy claiming that he was entitled to a \$750,000 benefit because he could no longer perform the duties of his occupation. The case involved hotly disputed issues over the insurance agreement and the plaintiff's medical condition. Following cross-motions for summary judgment the court granted our client summary judgment. Plaintiff agreed to pay client a substantial portion of its attorneys' fees.
- Represented an insurance company where plaintiff sued for breach of contract, bad faith and punitive damages under a disability insurance policy. The plaintiff's attorney had high expectations for this case and took a hard line in a private mediation. When the case did not settle, Lewis and Roca moved for summary judgment on the bad faith and punitive damage claims. The court granted summary judgment.
- Represented a life insurance company in breach of contract, bad faith and punitive damages case. The plaintiff, an internist, claimed he could not perform the duties of an internist, because of a long-standing eye condition. The plaintiff's attorney rejected attempts at settlement, demanding \$2,000,000. Forced to litigate the case on the merits, Lewis and Roca filed a motion for summary judgment on all claims, which the court granted. The plaintiff appealed to the Court of Appeals. The Court of Appeals affirmed in a reported decision. The trial court also granted the client attorneys' fees.