




SUSAN BIGGINS OWENS


PARTNER

Susan Biggins Owens focuses her practice on defending employers, self-insured employers and insurers in workers' compensation matters. Susan has 14 years of experience representing clients in New York and Vermont in general practice, personal injury and workers compensation matters.

For the last eight years Susan has practiced solely in New York State Workers Compensation matters. Initially representing injured claimants and now defending employers, self-insured employers and insurers, Susan incorporates the insight and experience developed from working on both sides of the table to create both short-term strategies for limiting exposure and long-term solutions to close each claim as efficiently as possible. Susan emphasizes a realistic big picture analysis of each claim that she handles, so she can accurately advise clients on where and when their resources should be expended in aggressively litigating issues to limit overall exposure.

In litigating New York State workers compensation matters, Susan has deposed and elicited trial testimony from hundreds of expert and lay witnesses. Susan has drafted and filed numerous appeals and rebuttals to the Board Panel, Full Board and Third Department. Susan strongly believes in the importance of a coherent and compelling litigation narrative that encourages the Judge and Board to making findings favorable to her client in each claim. Susan believes each and every deposition, hearing, trial, appeal or rebuttal, is an opportunity to incorporate and reinforce her client's litigation narrative and thereby increase the likelihood of a successful outcome.

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Education

University of California - Hastings College of Law
| J.D., 2006
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Bar & Court Admissions

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Bar & Court Licenses

New York

Practice Areas

- Workers' Compensation

Professional Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association
- Vermont Bar Association