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EDUCATION

University of Maryland Law
School, J.D., 1971

COURT ADMISSIONS

Court of Appeals of Maryland
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for the Fourth Circuit
United States Supreme Court

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Maryland

Paul D. Bekman graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law in 1971. Since his graduation, Mr. Bekman has concentrated his practice in the handling of serious personal injury and wrongful death cases, with special emphases in medical negligence, product liability, maritime and common carrier cases. He is currently managing partner of the Baltimore law firm of Salsbury, Clements, Bekman, Marder & Adkins, LLC. Mr. Bekman has lectured, taught and written extensively in the areas of trial advocacy, personal injury and wrongful death, damages, and medical negligence. He was certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy as a civil trial specialist in 1980 and recertified in 1990, 1995 and 2000. In 1986, Mr. Bekman was elected President of the Maryland Trial Lawyers Association. In 1982, he served as Chairman of the Young Lawyers Section of the Bar Association of Baltimore City. In 1993, he served as President of The Bar Association of Baltimore City. In June 1997, he became President of The Maryland State Bar Association.

In 1992, he was certified by the American Board of Professional Liability Attorneys and was re-certified in 2002. He is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA) and has served as President of the Maryland Chapter since 1997. In 2000 he became a Senior Counsel of the American College of Barristers. In 2003, Mr. Bekman was elected to membership in the International Academy of Trial Lawyers whose membership is limited to 500 trial lawyers throughout the United States. In 1993, he was elected to membership in the American College of Trial Lawyers, the foremost trial organization in the country, whose membership is limited to the top one percent of trial lawyers in each state. In 2000 he was appointed State Committee Chair for Maryland. In 2006 he became a Regent of the American College of Trial Lawyers. In 1995, 1998 and 2006, he was recognized by *Baltimore Magazine* as one of the top trial attorneys in the Baltimore area. In 2006, Mr. Bekman was recognized as a Maryland Super Lawyer in the *Maryland Super Lawyer Magazine* and was the 2nd top vote getter.

Since 1989, and for every year thereafter, Mr. Bekman has been recognized as one of the top lawyers in the country in *The Best Lawyers in America*. He is currently recognized in five areas of practice: alternative dispute resolution, personal injury, medical malpractice, products liability, and maritime law.

In addition, Mr. Bekman has been an elected member of the Trial Courts Judicial Nominating Commission for Baltimore City since 1983. He has served as President of the Maryland Bar Foundation, is a Fellow of the International Society of Barristers, a member of the Academy of Catastrophic Injury Attorneys, and is present Chairman of the University of Maryland School of Law Board of Visitors. Mr. Bekman is a regular faculty member and seminar participant for MICPEL and the National Business Institute on a variety of topics, including medical malpractice, catastrophic injuries, wrongful death, damages, trial tactics, trying the automobile accident case, premises liability, joint tortfeasor releases, maritime law, settlements and other trial related topics.

For approximately 15 years, Mr. Bekman has regularly conducted mediations and arbitrations in medical negligence, automobile, products liability, insurance, construction, general liability, and complex commercial cases throughout the state of Maryland. He believes that his experience as an active trial lawyer in the areas of his expertise has assisted him greatly in conducting successful mediations.