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Overview

Robert A. Cappuzzo is a highly respected New Jersey insurance defense attorney and experienced PIP litigation lawyer. As a member of the Forthright Advisory Council for No-Fault Disputes in New Jersey, Rob plays a key role in shaping the state's no-fault insurance dispute process. His responsibilities include revising arbitration rules and assisting in the selection and evaluation of dispute resolution professionals who preside over personal injury protection (PIP) arbitrations. With a track record of success that nearly doubles the industry average for no-cause arbitration wins, Rob has earned recognition as one of New Jersey's top insurance defense litigators. He joined Chasan Lamparello Mallon & Cappuzzo, PC in 1996, became a principal in 2003, and was named co-managing partner in October 2025. Rob also serves as Chair of the firm's PIP Department, leading a team focused on insurance coverage, liability defense, and no-fault litigation. Rob's clients include leading insurers such as NJM Insurance Group and Allstate Insurance Company. He provides regular in-house legal training sessions for insurance professionals, emphasizing claim handling, arbitration defense strategies, and litigation best practices. In addition to his active litigation practice, Rob is a frequent legal educator and speaker for organizations including the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education (NJICLE), the New Jersey Defense Association (NJDA), the Insurance Council of New Jersey, and the New Jersey State Bar Association. He previously served as Chair of the NJDA's Personal Injury Protection Committee (2014–2016) and continues to be a trusted voice in the field of New Jersey PIP defense law. **Publications** [Forthright Amends Its Rules to Eliminate Hearing Regions and Set Video-Conference as the Default for Appearances](#). New Jersey Defense, Fall 2022 [Closing the Door on UCR Cases Involving Ambulatory Surgery Centers \(ASCs\): The Appellate Division Brings an End to an Era of PIP Arbitrations and Litigation](#). New Jersey Defense, Spring 2019 **Lectures** [ICNJ](#) [NJDA](#) [ICLE](#)

Complex Issues in PIP

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Keys to Handling the PIP Case
PIP Issues for Practitioners - Working the file
PIP No-Fault College
Handling your first PIP case
PIP No-Fault College
Keys to Foreseeing & Developing your Case

NJSBA

“The best defense is to know the offense”

Workshop on PIP Internal Appeals Process
Final PIP Regulations - What Happened And What Does the
Future Hold?
Forthright Rules Update
PIP Education Day / PIP and VCR issues
Impact of Proposed PIP Fee Schedule

PIP Insights for BI Attorneys
Arbitration Update & Discussion on Defense Tactics

Practice Areas

Civil Defense Litigation
Personal Injury Protection (PIP)
Real Estate Tax Appeals

Education

University of Toledo School of Law, 1994 JD
Member and Symposium Editor of Toledo Law Review (1992-1994)
George Washington University, 1991 BA

Bar Admissions

New Jersey

New York

Professional Activities

New Jersey State Bar Association

New Jersey Defense Association

Forthright Advisory Council

National Arbitration Forum Advisory Council

American Arbitration Association

Advisory Council

Alumni, ATLA Trial Academy

Alumni, Hudson Inn of Court

Court Admissions

United States District Court for the District of New Jersey

United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

Published Opinions

Endo Surgi Center a/s/o Bernadette Harper v NJM Insurance Group, 459 N.J. Super. 289 (App. Div. 2019).

U.S. Postal Service v. Town of Kearny, 17 N.J. Tax 397 (Tax 1998)

Insights & News

CLM&C Defense Department Receives Honors and Speaks at 2024 NJDA Convention

Robert A. Cappuzzo Featured Speaker at PIP No Fault College 2023

Robert A. Cappuzzo Featured Speaker at PIP No Fault College 2021

Robert A. Cappuzzo and Nicole R. Cassata Featured Moderator and Speaker at PIP Program

CLM&C Attorney Team Competes in Rugged Maniac 5k Obstacle Race & Mud Run

Robert A. Cappuzzo and Richard W. Fogarty to Speak at 2019 PIP/No Fault College ICLE Seminar