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### Insurance Defense and Civil Litigation Attorneys

Our attorneys at Weston Patrick provide cost effective outstanding defense of insureds in automobile liability, premises, products and general liability as well as representation of insurers in coverage disputes and bad faith litigation.

Our attorneys possess extensive experience in evaluating cases and defending clients, including trial and alternate dispute resolution.

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Founded in 1897 Boston based WESTON PATRICK, P.A. has a long history of successfully defending insurers and their insureds in trial and appellate litigation, arbitrations and mediations across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

We are wholly focused on providing the highest quality legal services to insurers and defendants in the defense of civil claims, whether insured or self-insured, at competitive rates. We place a premium on client satisfaction, providing a results driven culture while balancing the insurance institutions' need for cost effective representation. Responding promptly to client inquiries and sensitivity to their concerns are the keynotes of our practice.

Since our inception, our civil litigation team has provided diligent and thorough representation to insurers and their insureds at a reasonable cost. We take pride in having represented several of the largest insurers in the nation for decades.

Our practice philosophy has been to expedite the handling of litigation matters by taking a proactive approach to our cases, being alert for opportunities to quickly resolve our clients' exposure while being ever ready to successfully take matters to trial. Our goal is to keep clients informed regarding developments in each case we handle as well as keeping clients informed on the nuances of Massachusetts law and decisions critical to the insurance industry.

## MEET YOUR DEFENSE TEAM

Our potent legal defense team is spearheaded by highly experienced trial and appellate defense counsel, who concentrate on managing and coordinating the efficient handling of contested matters, while pursuing each client's particular goals, and serving its unique needs. All of our attorneys possess strong academic qualifications, and are zealous to achieve optimal outcomes for our clients, applying the highest professional ethics and the expertise resulting from our decades of cumulative experience.

### RONALD E. HARDING

Mr. Harding joined Weston Patrick in 1979 after serving as a Law Clerk to the Justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court. Since that time he has concentrated his practice in the trial and appeal of civil cases, primarily for insurance companies, their insureds and self insured organizations. Mr. Harding has extensive trial experience, having tried several hundred cases in all state and federal courts throughout Massachusetts. He has also appeared, on numerous occasions, before Massachusetts appellate courts as well as the First Circuit Court of Appeals in connection with appellate issues arising out of the trial of civil cases and coverage related issues. In addition to representing insureds in personal injury and property damage litigation, Mr. Harding provides representation to insurers in connection with coverage disputes and claims of bad faith arising out of an insurers' handling of a claim. Mr. Harding has been rated AV-Preeminent, the highest possible peer rating for legal ability and ethical standards by Martindale Hubbell for over a decade. He has been consistently named as one of Boston's highest rated lawyers in the field of insurance law in such publications as the National Law Journal and the American Lawyer, as well as locally in the Boston Globe.  
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Ms. Gurley is a partner in the insurance defense practice group. Since joining Weston Patrick in 2006, Ms. Gurley has specialized in the defense of motor vehicle, premises, construction, general liability and the defense of insurers in bad faith claims. Ms. Gurley has an established record of success at trial in the state and federal courts in Massachusetts, securing multiple defense verdicts and successful settlements. Ms. Gurley is also experienced in all forms of alternative dispute resolution. Ms. Gurley is a frequent lecturer on "Handling Motor Vehicle Accident Cases" in the Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education program for attorneys.  
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### EDWARD K. LAW

Since 2006, Mr. Law's practice involves the defense of insurance companies and their insureds in lawsuits pending in all Courts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He focuses primarily on the defense of claims arising out of motor vehicle torts, premises liability as well as general liability claims. Prior to joining Weston Patrick, Mr. Law's practice included personal injury litigation, asbestos litigation and the defense of insurers in class action litigation alleging unfair and deceptive practices.  
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### ELIZABETH C. CAIAZZI

Ms. Caiazzi concentrates her practice in insurance defense litigation where she represents property and casualty insurers and their insureds. A trial attorney, Ms. Caiazzi has tried hundreds of cases in courts throughout the Commonwealth. Ms. Caiazzi's work has also included subrogation claims; defense of first and third party claims alleging bad faith and violations of consumer protection laws; and close work with various Special Investigations Units in combating insurance fraud. Ms. Caiazzi previously served as in house counsel to multiple major insurance companies.  
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