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BIOGRAPHY

Roshan D. Shah is a distinguished litigator and trial attorney who was awarded the **2015 New Jersey Attorney General's Award for Trial Excellence**. Mr. Shah has successfully tried cases to juries in federal and state courts. He has extensive experience in all facets of litigation and in a variety of forums, including federal and state trial courts, the New Jersey Appellate Division and the Third Circuit Court of Appeals, where he has represented multinational corporations, federal defense contractors, health care providers and public sector clients. Notably, Mr. Shah was a member of the defense team in *Burgos v. Governor Christie, et al.*, the historic and high-profile pension litigation case decided earlier this year.

Immediately before joining Scarinci Hollenbeck, Mr. Shah served as a New Jersey Deputy Attorney General in the Division of Law, Corrections and State Police Section, where he gained valuable hands-on experience in litigation, defending public entities and employees in civil litigation. He defended against claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1871, the New Jersey Civil Rights Act, the Law Against Discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Conscientious Employee Protection Act, the Open Public Records Act, and the New Jersey Tort Claims Act. He also defended New Jersey's Gun Control Law from Second Amendment challenges in both federal and state courts.

Mr. Shah has also has a wealth of experience in several other areas of litigation. Prior to working in government service, Mr. Shah worked as a defense attorney for pharmaceutical manufacturers in product defect cases. Some of the matters he handled arose from hormone replacement therapy products, second generation antipsychotics, gadolinium-based contrast agents, and pain-patch lawsuits. Mr. Shah has successfully represented landowners in class action lawsuits against the United States for claims under the National Trail Systems Act. He has also represented secured lenders in bankruptcy cases and commercial matters. In addition, he served as a faculty member for the New Jersey Attorney General's Advocacy Institute.

EDUCATION

- Emory University School of Law, J.D. (2006)
- University of Miami, B.B.A, Political Science & Finance (2003)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey (2010)
- New York (2010)
- Missouri (2007)
- Georgia (2006)
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey (2010)
- Eastern District of Missouri (2009)
- Third Circuit Court of Appeals (2011)

AFFILIATIONS

- Defense Research Institute
- American Bar Association Member
- New Jersey Bar Association Member

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Ass'n N.J. Rifle & Pistol Clubs v. Governor of N.J., 707 F.3d 238 (3d Cir. 2013): successfully defended New Jersey's One Handgun Per Month Law against a challenge that it was preempted by the Federal Toy Gun Law.
- 2. Harris v. Ricci, 595 Fed. App'x 128 (3d Cir. 2014): obtained reversal of district court's decision awarding attorney fees in excess of the 150% fee cap imposed by the Prison Litigation Reform Act.
- Endl v. New Jersey. 5 F. Supp. 3d 689 (D.N.J. 2014): obtained dismissal at the pleading stage on behalf of the New Jersey Dep't of Corrections and its employees in a wrongful death case.
- 4. <u>Boroff v. Lynn</u>, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 172850 (D.N.J. Dec. 12, 2014): obtained summary judgment in favor of four State Police troopers accused of using excessive force when taking an intoxicated plaintiff







- to the ground at MetLife Stadium and breaking his ankle.
- 5. <u>Dileo v. N.J. State Police</u>, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 152136 (D.N.J. Oct. 23, 2013): obtained dismissal at the pleading stage in favor of the New Jersey State Police and a trooper on plaintiff's false arrest and failure to train/supervise claims.
- 6. Greer v. Webb, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 73642 (D.N.J. June 8, 2015): obtained dismissal at the pleading stage in favor of the New Jersey State Police and a trooper on plaintiff's unreasonable search and excessive force claims.
- 7. Coles v. Carlini, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 101873 (D.N.J. July 22, 2013): successfully barred two outlaw motorcycle gang members from recovering monetary relief on their false arrest and profiling claims on the grounds that they failed to disclose their claims in their concurrent bankruptcy proceedings.
- 8. <u>Hickman v. N.J. State Police</u>, 2014 N.J. Super. Unpub. LEXIS 1509 (App. Div. June 23, 2014): successfully defended the constitutionality of a State Police regulation prohibiting New Jersey private detectives from operating as franchisees.

- Grant v. Caesars Hotel & Casino Atl. City, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 110109 (D.N.J. Aug. 7, 2012): obtained summary judgment in favor of a State Police trooper accused of false arrest and malicious prosecution at an Atlantic City casino.
- 10. <u>DeHope v. N.J. Dep't of Law & Pub. Safety</u>, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 142445 (D.N.J. Dec. 9, 2011): obtained dismissal at the pleading stage in an employment discrimination case alleging age discrimination.

PUBLICATIONS

- Shah, R. and C. Tinsley, Epidemiology and Pharmaceutical Products Litigation, DEF. RESEARCH INST. DRUG AND MED. DEVICE SEMINAR (Def. Research Inst., Chicago, Ill.), May 2010.
- Germany, C. and R. Shah, Sixth Circuit Product Liability Law Year-in-Review, DEF. RESEARCH INST. PROD. LIAB. LAW SEMINAR (Def. Research Inst., Chicago, Ill.), April 2010.
- Shah, R., D. Murray and E. Raines, Current Issues in Preemption, NEWSLETTER (Miss. Org. of Def. Lawyers), Spring 2009, at 6.



