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**Raymond M. Williams, JD** focuses his practice on complex litigation, with an emphasis on Food and Drug Administration matters.

Williams is a member of the Litigation Practice Group as well as the Life Sciences and Media, Sport & Entertainment Sectors within the firm. He also serves on the firm's Policy Committee and Associate Evaluation and Compensation Committee.

Williams has first-chair jury trial experience as well as extensive pre-trial litigation experience. On both the local and national levels, he has successfully defended matters which included allegations of wrongful death, blindness and cancer, among many issues. His extensive litigation experience includes handling multidistrict litigations, mass tort state coordinated proceedings, class actions and punitive damage claims.

Williams has performed internal assessments regarding risks associated with product liability and proposed acquisition of companies. He has consulted on access to foreign markets for various companies subject to FDA regulations and has shepherded various matters related to data privacy issues. Williams has interviewed hundreds of corporate employees related to his handling of various litigations, risk assessments, investigations and monitorships, including sports related issues. As a former little league, college and National Football League player, Williams provides a unique understanding and perspective to any sports related issue.

Williams is a frequent presenter and participates in numerous speaking panels regarding numerous legal issues including pharmaceutical, sport and diversity topics, to name a few. He is a frequent contributor to litigation journals and industry publications, including American Bar Association publications. Williams has appeared as a panelist on the *Law Journal* and *American Law Journal* TV programs.

Prior to attending law school, for one season Williams played professional football in the National Football League as a member of the Pittsburgh Steelers.