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Professional Credentials

- J.D. (1999) Seton Hall University School of Law
- B.A. (1994) Seton Hall University, cum laude

Lori E. Chapin

Associate

Ms. Chapin focuses her practice on the defense of equipment manufacturers in complex, multi-party disputes with an emphasis on product liability actions, catastrophic injury claims involving heavy equipment and commercial breach of warranty actions, including class-action litigation.

Prior to joining Tanenbaum Keale LLP, Ms. Chapin represented equipment and product manufacturers at an international law firm for a decade. Before engaging in private practice, Ms. Chapin tried hundreds of fact-finding hearings as a Deputy Attorney General (DAG) for the state of New Jersey, handling child welfare litigation. She served on court-created committees and task forces related to child welfare and juvenile issues at the request of the Family Court. She also served as a senior environmental analyst for a major international insurer where her participation in settlement conferences, arbitration and mediation on behalf of the insured resulted in favorable settlements in complex multiparty environmental and professional liability actions.

Ms. Chapin served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Craig Randall Harris, J.S.C., in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Essex Vicinage. She served as a judicial intern to the Honorable Katharine S. Hayden, U.S.D.J., United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (Newark), while working full-time at a large New Jersey law firm and attending law school.

Ms. Chapin is admitted to practice law in New Jersey and before the U. S. District Court, District of New Jersey.



Experience

Ms. Chapin litigates matters on behalf of the firm's corporate clients in matters throughout the Eastern United States. The powerful combination of her creative thinking, civility, strong work ethic and advocacy, as well as her ability to connect and form meaningful relationships, allows her to obtain excellent results for clients, including early dismissals, successful tenders of defense, numerous favorable settlements and practical solutions to complex matters. She is experienced in handling all phases of discovery and e-discovery issues, motion and pre-trial practice, and alternative dispute resolution in state and federal court.

Memberships and Affiliations

In addition to her commitment to her clients, Ms. Chapin serves on various committees and task forces focused on mentoring, diversity and professional development. She was recognized individually in 2012 for her ongoing work with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), including her 14-day, 300+ mile hike of the coast of Oregon aimed at raising awareness and funds for CASA programs nationwide. Ms. Chapin is the immediate past president of the Board of Trustees of CASA for Children of Essex County. Essex CASA is the largest and oldest CASA program in New Jersey. CASA volunteers serve at the request of the Family Court to advocate for children in foster care due to child abuse and neglect. Ms. Chapin regularly volunteers at St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark.

Ms. Chapin is a member of the following organizations:

- American Bar Association
- Essex County Bar Association
- New Jersey State Bar Association, Product Liability and Mass Tort Section

Additional Professional Credentials

Ms. Chapin completed a summer semester in Northern Ireland at the University of Ulster in Londonderry through Seton Hall University's Political Science Department and she completed a course at UNAPEC, in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, through the Criminal Justice Department. While attending law school, Ms. Chapin was a recipient of the Centennial Scholarship, member of Phi Alpha Delta, and Eugene Gressman Moot Court Competition participant.