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# ABOUT BERGER MONTAGUE

**\$2.4B+**

in 2025 Post-Trial Judgments

**\$50B+**

in Settlements and Verdicts

**55+**

Years of Experience with High-Profile Cases

**100+**

Attorneys Protecting Your Rights

**20+**

Years Ranked as Top Law Firm by Chambers USA

**50**

States in Which the Firm has Successfully Litigated

Berger Montague is one of the nation’s preeminent law firms focusing on complex civil litigation, class actions, and mass torts with nationally known attorneys highly sought after for their legal skills and commitment to justice.

The firm has been recognized by federal and state courts across the country for its ability and expertise in handling major complex litigation, particularly in the fields of antitrust, securities, mass torts, civil and human rights, whistleblower cases, employment, and consumer litigation.

For more than 50 years, Berger Montague has played leading roles in precedent-setting cases and has recovered over \$50 billion for their clients and the classes they have represented.

Serving the U.S. & Canada from Nine Offices



Berger Montague laid the groundwork for the use of class actions in antitrust and securities litigation. The firm has since expanded the use of class actions in the fields of consumer, employment, environmental, and insurance litigation as well as of civil and human rights.

From helping companies in high-stakes commercial litigation to representing whistleblowers who have identified fraud against the government, our 100+ lawyers are able to tackle the most complex, precedent-setting legal matters.

Berger Montague has earned a national reputation for delivering results for clients. Our record of obtaining successful multimillion dollar settlements and verdicts is a direct reflection of our philosophy of preparing for trial from the moment we take your case — and paying attention to the details.

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Antitrust
- Appeals & Complex Briefing
- Automotive Litigation
- Child Sexual Abuse & Sexual Assault
- Commercial Litigation
- Commodities & Options
- Consumer Protection
- Credit Reporting & Background Checks
- Defective Drugs & Medical Devices
- Defective Products
- Employee Benefits & ERISA
- Employment Law & Unpaid Wages
- Environmental Law & Public Health
- False Claims Act, Qui Tam & Whistleblower
- Government Representation
- Healthcare
- Intellectual Property
- Securities Fraud & Investor Protection
- Securities & Financial Fraud
- Technology, Privacy & Data Breach
- Trafficking and Forced Labor

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## Berger Montague has a rich history of championing significant class action cases since its founding in 1970 by David Berger, the visionary behind the modern class action procedure.

2016

The Firm opens its first office outside of Philadelphia in **Minneapolis, Minnesota.**

2023

To support its rapid growth and expansion, Berger Montague opens its first international office in **Toronto** and new offices in **San Francisco, Chicago** and **Wilmington, DE.**

2024

The Firm continues its growth trajectory with new offices opening in **Washington, D.C.**

2006

Berger Montague is one of three firms to represent the State of Connecticut in **State of Connecticut v. Philip Morris, Inc., et al.**, in which Connecticut recovered approximately \$3.6 billion from certain manufacturers of tobacco products.

2001

As co-lead counsel, Berger Montague played a key role in bringing about a \$4.37 billion **settlement with German industry and government** for the use of slave and forced labor during the Holocaust.

2000

Berger Montague serves on the executive committee in the **Holocaust Victim Assets** Litigation. It results in a \$1.25 billion settlement with Switzerland's largest banks on behalf of victims of Nazi aggression whose deposits were not returned after the Second World War.

1991

Berger Montague serves as a principal plaintiffs' counsel in the **Drexel Burnham Lambert/Michael Milken** litigation which was filed in the aftermath of the junk bond market collapse and the Drexel bankruptcy. In 1991, a \$2 billion settlement was approved.

1994

Berger Montague was one of the principal trial counsel in the **Exxon Valdez Oil Spill** litigation. In 1994, the jury awarded a record \$5 billion verdict against Exxon, which the United States Supreme Court later reduced to \$507.5 million.

The first mass tort property damage class action certified on a national basis was the **School Asbestos** Litigation. We served as lead counsel, helping to recover \$300 million to defray the costs of asbestos abatement for secondary and elementary schools.

1981

After the near meltdown of a reactor at Three Mile Island, America's worst nuclear incident, Berger Montague serves as lead/liaison counsel in the **Three Mile** litigation. The case settles for \$25 million.

1970

Former Philadelphia City Solicitor David Berger forms Berger Montague, pioneering the field of class actions in antitrust and securities litigation.

1967

David Berger, founder of Berger Montague, helps draft **Rule 23** of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (FRCP), creating the modern class action.



Selected as a

## TOP TIER ANTITRUST LAW FIRM **20+ YEARS**

by *Chambers and Partners*

*“Berger Montague is a preeminent force in the Pennsylvania antitrust market, offering expert counsel to clients from a broad range of industries... Highly distinguished for the strength of its plaintiff-side work...”*

Legal peers, clients, federal and state courts, national legal rating entities, and national and regional legal publications have lauded Berger Montague and its attorneys for decades, recognizing the Firm’s legal skills, professional ethics, client successes, DEI, pro bono work, and community involvement.

### BERGER MONTAGUE HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY

The American Bar Association

The American Association for Justice

The Federal Bar Association

The Pennsylvania Bar Association

The Public Justice Foundation

The Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges

First Judicial District of Pennsylvania

### 20 ATTORNEYS

Received a **Lawdragon Award**

### 40+ ATTORNEYS

Named **PA Super Lawyers** and **Rising Stars** by Thomson Reuters

### 2025 TOP TIER FIRM

**Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Plaintiff**  
by The Legal 500

### 20 ATTORNEYS

Named **Best Lawyers**

### NATIONAL TIER 1 LAW FIRM

**Class Actions - Plaintiff**

### ADDITIONAL AWARDS GIVEN BY

*The Legal Intelligencer, Pennsylvania Law Weekly & Philadelphia Business Journal*

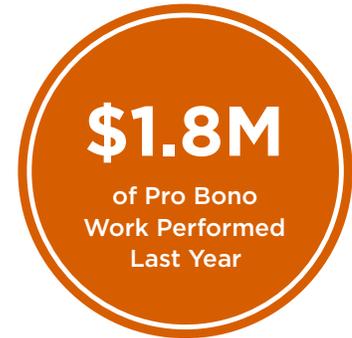
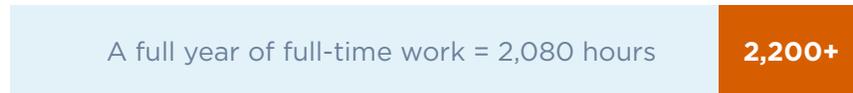
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- ☆ Top 30 Pennsylvania Lawyers Under 40
- ☆ Lawyers on the Fast Track
- ☆ Unsung Hero
- ☆ Distinguished Leader
- ☆ Best Law Firm Mentor
- ☆ Lifetime Achievement
- ☆ Diversity Initiative
- ☆ Diversity in Business



# PRO BONO & COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

**Berger Montague attorneys are fully encouraged to work with non-profit organizations, community programs, and associations to perform pro bono legal work.**

## Over 2,200 Hours of Pro Bono Work in 2024



## 30% of Our Attorneys Perform Pro Bono Work



At Berger Montague, pro bono work is not an afterthought—it’s at the heart of who we are. We believe every lawyer has a responsibility to use their skills to expand access to justice, and we are proud to have dedicated over 2,200 pro bono hours as a firm in 2024. Our attorneys partner with local nonprofits and legal aid organizations to provide critical representation to individuals and communities who otherwise could not afford counsel. From protecting tenants facing eviction, to advocating for minors who have experienced abuse or neglect, to supporting immigrants seeking safety and stability, our team approaches pro bono matters with the same dedication and excellence we bring to every client. **This commitment reflects our core values as a firm: service, integrity, and a belief that the law should work for everyone.**

Berger Montague is proud to serve in leadership roles in high-impact litigation, representing groups and causes with far-reaching community and national significance. A few recent examples include:

- *Trump et al. v. Slaughter et al., No. 25-332 (U.S.).*
- *Estados Unidos Mexicanos v. Diamondback Shooting Sports Inc., No. 22-cv-4472 (D. Ariz.).*
- *McGruder et al. v. Mnuchin, et al, No. 20-cv-03590 (E.D. Pa.).*
- *American Federation of Teachers v. U.S. Department of Education, No. 1:25-cv-802 (D.D.C.).*

**WE PARTNER WITH**

- Community Legal Services (“CLS”)
- Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program (“Philly VIP”)
- Public Justice
- Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia (“PILCOP”)
- Support Center for Child Advocates



# OPPORTUNITY & EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT

Recruiting, developing, and promoting talented and highly motivated professionals is in the firm's and our clients' best interests. The mission of the Opportunity and Employee Engagement team is to enrich the firm with multiple perspectives to **foster teamwork, encourage employee growth, and create opportunities** to serve a broader set of clients.

**TRAIN**

**DEVELOP**

**MENTOR**

**RETAIN**

## **TRAINING ATTORNEYS**

Our cases are complex and require a high degree of skill and teamwork. We have developed formal and informal training programs to help junior attorneys attain a variety of legal skills critical to successfully litigating our cases. Such skill development sessions include legal writing, taking depositions, and negotiating with opposing counsel.

## **DEVELOPING TALENT**

Berger Montague has also created an associate checklist that provides guidelines for fostering employee growth. We ensure that attorneys are getting the varied professional experiences they need to progress in their careers. Our firm promotes continuous mentoring and feedback. Senior attorneys are evaluated annually on their efforts to mentor and train their less experienced colleagues.

## **MENTORING ATTORNEYS**

Our attorney development and mentorship program matches Associates with a Shareholder or Senior Counsel to help form important working relationships, nurture junior talent, and ensure that Associates meet well-defined annual goals.

## **RETAINING ATTORNEYS**

Berger Montague has been litigating cutting edge cases for over 50 years. We explore creative new case theories and approaches. We encourage all attorneys at all levels to think expansively about how to use the law to represent our clients' interests and hold wrongdoers accountable. Once a case has been filed, as part of our deep commitment to development and teamwork, we encourage all attorneys to participate in shaping case strategy.

## **STAFFING CASES STRATEGICALLY**

We evaluate each case and staff it in a fair and considered manner, based on the case's particular needs with an eye toward giving attorneys varied experiences.

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During the hearing where the Court granted final approval of a precedent-setting \$375 million class action settlement on behalf of a class of mixed-martial arts fighters in *Le v. UFC*, Judge Boulware praised “the investment, the quality of the representation in this case, [and] the hours spent” by the Firm and its co-counsel.”

— **Judge Richard F. Boulware, II., U.S. District Court of Nevada**



The Court praised the \$20 million settlement in the *In re: Platinum and Palladium Antitrust Litigation* observing that the Firm has “...considerable experience in antitrust litigation such as this...in addition to a host of successful settlements in antitrust and commodities litigation” and that the “high quality of defense counsel opposing plaintiffs’ efforts further proves the caliber of representation that was necessary to achieve the settlement. Plaintiffs’ opponents were well resourced global financial institutions. Plaintiffs secured a settlement that grants the settlement class financial relief, despite being opposed by well-funded defendants represented by top-flight law firms. The ability of plaintiffs’ counsel to obtain a favorable settlement for the class in the face of such formidable legal opposition confirms the quality of their representation of the class.”

— **Hon. Gregory H. Woods, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York**



“I think y’all have been a model on how to handle a case like this. So I appreciate the diligence y’all have put in separating the fee negotiations until after the main event is resolved...Everything I see here is in great shape, and really a testament to y’all’s diligence and professionalism. So hats off to y’all...So thanks again for your professionalism in handling this case and handling the stipulated settlement. Y’all are model citizens, and so I wish I could send everyone to y’all’s school of litigation management.”

— **Judge Brantley Starr**



“It is just a joy to be in a courtroom with such talented lawyers. It’s really the best experience from a judicial perspective in court when you engage in this discussion with real experts who are here to try to educate and persuade.”

— **Judge Richard F. Boulware, II., U.S. District Court of Nevada**



“We sitting here don’t always get to see such fine lawyering, and it’s really wonderful for me both to have tough issues and smart lawyers...I want to congratulate all of you for the really hard work you put into this, the way you presented the issues...On behalf of the entire federal judiciary, I want to thank you for the kind of lawyering we wish everybody would do.”

— **Judge Faith S. Hochberg**



“You are extraordinarily impressive. And I thank you for being here, and for your candid, non-evasive response to every question I have. I was extremely skeptical at the outset of this morning. You have allayed all of my concerns and have persuaded me that this is an important issue and that you have done a great service to the class. And for that reason, I am going to approve your settlement in all respects, including the motion for attorneys’ fees. And I congratulate you on your excellent work.”

— **Judge Harold E. Kahn**



Judge Janet C. Hall of the U.S. District Court of the District of Connecticut praised the result of our Insurance Practice Group in achieving a \$72.5 million settlement in 2010 in the case of *Spencer v. The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.* (the detail of which are summarized above). Among other things, Judge Hall found that “but for counsel’s outstanding work in this case and substantial effort over five years, no member of the class would have recovered a penny...[I]t was an extremely complex and substantial class and case.” See *Spencer v. The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.*, No. 3:05-cv-1681, Dkt. 268 at 71:15 to 73:5 (transcript of final settlement approval hearing on Sept. 21, 2010).

— **Judge Janet C. Hall, U.S. District Court of the District of Connecticut**



“I do want to compliment all counsel for how they litigated this case in a thoroughly professional manner. All parties were zealously represented in the highest ideals of the profession, legitimately and professionally, and not the usual acrimony we see in these cases...I commend the parties and their counsel for a very workmanlike professional effort.”

— **Judge Joel Schneider**



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