

## Thomas Summerville Partner

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Thomas Summerville was born and raised in Camden, NJ. He was raised by his single mother to work hard, study hard, treat people how you want to be treated, and live honestly. He obtained his undergraduate degree from The College of William and Mary, where he majored in political science. He went on to graduate from the Villanova University School of Law where he received the student award for outstanding trial advocacy. Thomas continued his development as a trial lawyer at the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office and as a toxic tort trial attorney. He holds the distinction of obtaining the highest ever nonmalignant jury award in Philadelphia County.

For the last 15 years, Thomas has worked in insurance defense, with a specialty in SIU/fraud investigation and trials. He has handled motor vehicle, commercial liability, premises liability, property damage, products liability, dram shop, catastrophic injury, construction accident, municipal liability, and wrongful death cases. He has defended individuals and corporations in state and federal courts. Thomas has enjoyed the distinction of being the attorney of choice by insurance adjusters. He is passionate about providing excellent legal service to his claim's customers and clients. He loves investigating, evaluating, and providing legal analysis to help his clients and claim's professionals find the best possible outcome for their case. Thomas has tried hundreds of major jury trials to verdict. Usually when he goes to trial, his client wins. He has never lost a premises liability jury trial. He enjoined a 40-0 record trying personal injury and commercial cases for Nationwide Insurance.

Thomas believes in maintaining a work/life balance. When he is not working hard for his clients, he enjoys spending time with his family and friends, watching movies, meditation, hiking, traveling, and working on advancing his black belt in Tang Soo Do Karate.

## **Practice Areas**

• SIU & First Party Litigation

- Premises Liability
- Products Liability

## Education

- The College of William and Mary
- Villanova University School of Law