

Michael Joseph Dennin

Attorney at Law

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Licensed in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and the United States District Court of New Jersey

Objective: Obtain Board position at Empowerment Corporation Board of Directors

Experience / Qualifications:

- Camden County Bar Association Young Lawyer Trustee for the 2012-2013 year and member since 2005 and Chair of the Charity Committee 2011-2012
- Participate in the Holiday Toy Drive, Children's Picnics at Challenge Grove Park, the past two food service programs at Cathedral Kitchen in Camden, NJ, attended monthly bar association meetings and assisted in organizing various events
- Attend Bar Associated events such as Meet and Greet with the Federal, Superior, Appellate, and Workers' Compensation Judges and Law Clerks, Social Events, Lobster Bake and Fall Frolic, and other associated events
- Actively participate in the New Jersey Associated for Justice (formerly ATLA) Pennsylvania Association of Justice
- Assist in forming and running our law firm's Dnt Txt Drv campaign, including disbursing over 10,000 thumb bands free to local high schools, presenting seminars and presentations to local high schools on the dangers of texting and driving and legal consequences of various conduct including underage drinking, DUI, social host liability, etc.

Achievements:

- Graduated Workers' Compensation Inns of Court for the 2005-2007 term as a pupil and argued several mock cases; and am still a participating Inns Member
- Graduated from ABOTA Trial College in 2010 at Princeton University (5-day intensive Trial College)
- Successfully Tried Civil Automobile negligence cases and handled same from start to finish obtaining a favorable verdict
- Successfully Tried Workers' Compensation total disability cases with testimony from lay and medical experts as well as involvement with the Second Injury Fund and briefed many legal issues obtaining total disability on several matter

Skills / Areas of Expertise:

Trial Attorney

Law Offices of Vincent J. Ciecka, P.C.

May 2005- Present

Pennsauken, New Jersey

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Areas of Practice

Personal Injury & Workers' Compensation

- Practice Actively in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the U.S. District Court
- Represent individuals injured due to another's negligence, including automobile injuries resulting from collisions, slip and fall matters, civil assaults, product liability, and other associated areas of negligence with varying severe injuries

- Conduct Jury trials, expedited and full live testimony
- Take live and videotape expert testimony and associated cross examination of defense experts and witnesses, conducted voir dire, pre-trial motions, opening and closing argument, witness preparation and testimony, and post trial matters
- Conduct depositions during litigation in various types of cases and obtained experts to meet our burden of proof
- Handle various legal proceedings including friendly hearings, Motions for Summary Judgment, Declaratory actions, Discovery Motions, bankruptcy proceedings
- Draft Complaints, Answer discovery, medically manage each cases assuring that each client receives appropriate and necessary medical care
- PIP (personal injury protection) handling, including filing, settlement, in person hearings with expert and lay testimony, post hearing matters on various medical and legal issues
- Handled and directed over 50 arbitrations, both binding and non-binding in and outside of the courthouse
- Negotiated over 50 settlements and litigated over 100 cases
- Litigated over 100 workers' compensation cases to settlement or trial, including varying types and severity, including total disability cases
- Negotiate settlements with adjusters and defense counsel
- Conduct client meetings and interviews
- Pre-Trial and settlement conferences in Court with insurance adjusters, attorneys, and Judges of Compensation
- Litigate Motions for Medical and Temporary Benefits to obtain for my clients the necessary medical treatment, including the trial of motions with medical and lay testimony and briefing of various issues
- Second injury fund practice and its' convergence with social security as well as accidental and ordinary disability pensions in public employment
- Municipal Court and Social Security Disability practice

Law Offices of Vincent J. Ciecka, PC - Law Clerk

July, 2003- August, 2004

Connelly, Kaerchner & Stamper

May, 2003- July, 2003

Louisville, Kentucky- Law Clerk

EDUCATION

Widener University School of Law- Harrisburg Campus

J.D. awarded May, 2005

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

- Top 40%
- Achievements/Participation: Moot Court Honor Society, Delaware-Harrisburg Annual Moot Court Competition participant, Public Interest Law Society, Business Law Society

University of Scranton

B.A. awarded May, 2002

- Major: History
- Minor(s): Business, Philosophy
- Activities: Pre-Law Society- Secretary, Business Club, Bacchus and Gamma Drug and Alcohol Peer Educator

INTERESTS

Family (2 small children), Social Work, Exercise, News focusing on humane issues, reading, legal education, WHY, PBS, documentaries

RECOMMENDATIONS/REFERENCES

Honorable Delores McNamee (JWC)

Alan Schwalbe, Esquire

Marci Hill Jordan, Esquire