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Matt Nickel is a trial lawyer who focuses on complex litigation with an emphasis on defending product liability cases, suits brought by state Attorneys General and pharmaceutical litigations. Matt has led teams defending cases involving the False Claims Act and Anti-Statute, as well as state Medicaid fraud, consumer protection and antitrust cases. He has an extensive background in the medical arena, including work as a sales representative for a major pharmaceutical company.

Matt has significant experience in federal and state courts throughout the country in both individual actions and large multi-district litigations. He has handled all aspects of litigation, from pre-suit resolution through trial. His experience includes managing discovery, taking and defending depositions of key witnesses, expert witness development, and briefing complicated legal and scientific issues. Matt tried an Eighth Amendment pro bono case to verdict in federal court in Missouri.

RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

EXPERIENCE

- Extensive experience representing numerous generic and branded pharmaceutical manufacturers in product liability suits involving the safety and efficacy of medications.
- Litigation involving alleged product defects and product recalls for numerous products including: pharmaceuticals, pet food, oil and gas transmission pipelines, and Chinese-manufactured drywall.
- Management of a large-scale gasoline recall, including establishment of a voluntary claims facility for consumers.
- Obtained dismissal of a major pharmaceutical company in a qui tam case alleging that certain product support offerings violated the Anti-Kickback Statute and the False Claims Act.
- Obtained voluntary dismissal for a major pharmaceutical company in a Medicaid Fraud and Consumer Protection case brought by a state Attorney General related to the sales and marketing practices of several medications.
- Defended a large pharmaceutical company in antitrust cases involving the alleged delayed entry of generic competitors.
- Successful negotiation and resolution of a wide variety of claims and lawsuits, including matters involving personal injuries, product liability, creditor claims and breach of contract claims.

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- Missouri
- Texas

Education

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law 2005
- B.A., University of Texas at Austin 1998

Courts

- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri

INSIGHTS

Publications

DOJ moves to dismiss 11 qui tam lawsuits filed by professional relator concerning patient-support programs

20 DEC 2018

The DOJ acts on its commitment to seek dismissal of *qui tam* suits it views as not serving the public interest.

NEWS

DLA Piper continues expansion in Dallas with addition of C. Michael Moore and Matthew Nickel

5 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that C. Michael Moore and Matthew Nickel have joined the firm's Litigation practice as partners in the Dallas office.
