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Paul Lewis is an experienced litigator with significant trial and appellate experience, with a focus on complex commercial litigation, internal investigations, arbitration and white collar defense.

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

Paul has litigated in the U.S. District Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals in the First Circuit, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, the Massachusetts Appeals Court, several different Superior Courts within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and an array of Massachusetts district and summary process courts. He has also represented clients in private mediations and arbitrations.

Paul has secured dispositive victories on behalf of clients in a number of different legal contexts, including commercial evictions, contract disputes, consumer class action defense, franchisee-franchisor disputes, defense of wrongful death actions, and statutory extortionate business practice allegations.

Before joining DLA Piper, Paul served as an Assistant District Attorney at the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office. There, he prosecuted an array of cases on the trial and appellate levels, including financial crime, domestic violence, narcotics distribution and sexual assault. As a prosecutor, Paul conducted over thirty jury trials and argued five cases at the Massachusetts Appeals Court.

Prior to serving as an Assistant District Attorney, Paul served as a Judicial Law Clerk for the Honorable Mark G. Mastroianni at the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Admissions

- Massachusetts

Courts

- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

Clerk Experience

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Prior Experience

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Education

- J.D., Boston College 2014
- B.A., Tufts University 2009

INSIGHTS

Publications

Deputy AG announces changes to DOJ corporate criminal enforcement policy

4 November 2021

These initiatives may well have significant effects on how companies protect themselves from and during a criminal investigation.

Court of Appeals affirms broad government authority to conduct warrantless searches of electronic devices at the border

16 February 2021

The court's opinion offers a reminder that personal privacy is at significant risk when traveling abroad or returning home.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "When Federal Courts Remand Eviction Actions Back To States," *Law360*, March 26, 2021
- Co-author, "The Pandemic's Toll On Criminal Defendant Rights: Part 2," *Law360*, December 2, 2020
- Co-author, "The Pandemic's Toll On Criminal Defendant Rights: Part 1," *Law360*, December 2, 2020
- "Consistent Rules of Prior Statements: Advocating for the Substantive Use of prior Consistent Statements in Massachusetts Courts," 48 *Suffolk U. L. Rev.* 305 (Spring 2015)
- "Death for Association: Assessing the Constitutionality of Gang-Related Aggravating Factors in State Death Penalty Statutes," *Thomas M. Cooley Journal of Practical and Clinical Law* 16 2 145-186 (Spring 2015)
- "A Gateway to Future Problems: Concerns about the State-by-State Legalization of Medical Marijuana," 13 *U. New Hampshire Law Rev.* 1-49 (Fall 2014)

PRO BONO

Paul represented a family of tenants left homeless after an unsanctioned renovation to their building caused a major wall to collapse. In November 2019, Paul brought the case to trial before a jury of twelve in the Massachusetts Superior Court, securing a substantial

settlement award.