

SAFETY STRATEGIES



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Areas of Expertise

- Consumer Product Safety
- Mfr & Seller Responsibility
- Design Considerations
- Unreasonable Risk
- Industry Self-Regulation
- Corporate Accountability
- Warnings
- Recalls
- CPSC
- Testing
- Standards
- Compliance
- Product Liability
- Injury Prevention
- Human Factors
- Risk Assessment
- Hazard Reporting
- Safety Regulation

Profile

Providing litigation support and expert testimony in products liability and negligence actions on behalf of both plaintiff and defense. Also, strategic consulting to corporate clients, in-house and outside counsel, insurance firms, and trial attorneys. For 25 years, presenting expert testimony in deposition and at trial in both federal and state court actions on more than 120 occasions. Testimony before Congressional Committees in both the House & Senate, and extensively cited in newspaper, TV & radio interviews on product hazards, federal and state regulatory efforts, and corporate responsibility.

Experience

Commissioner, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 1979-86 [extensive tenure as both Acting-Chairman and Vice-Chair]
Vice-President for Product Liability and Risk Assessment, AT Kearney, international management consulting firm
Special Asst. to the Chairman, National Commission on Product Safety [NCPS]
Editor-in-chief, NCPS Final Report to the President and Congress
Chief Counsel & Staff Director to the Minority, U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations
Chief Counsel to the Minority, U.S. Senate Executive Reorganization Subcommittee

Specialized Knowledge

Consulting assignments have involved assessing foreseeable, even if unintended risks from - Gas Valves, Electric Heaters, Wood Stoves, Kerosene Heaters, Appliances, Power Tools, Extension Cords, Flammable Sprays, Chain Saws, Riding & Walk-behind Power Mowers, Power Tools, ATVs, Fireworks, Lead Paint, Tap-water Faucets, Infant Gates, Cribs & Walkers, Ladders, Bunk Beds, Hot Water Heaters, Amusement Rides, Automatic Garage Doors, Furniture, Window Blind Cords, Toys & Small Parts, Adhesives, TV Carts, Televisions, Swimming Pools & Spas, Flammable Fabrics, Disposable Lighters, Paint Sprayers, Pressure Washers, Bicycles, ZTR Lawn Tractors, Bungee Cords *and more.*

Recent Publication

"Preventing 'Accidental' Injury: Accountability for Safer Products by Anticipating Product Risks and User Behaviors," in *Handbook of Human Factors Litigation* [CRC Press, Dec '04]

Education

B.A., Amherst College [1965]; J.D., Harvard Law School [1968]