



## AMY L. PICCOLA

### PARTNER

Philadelphia  
Centre Square West  
1500 Market Street, 38th Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19102-2186

Phone number: (215) 972-8405  
Fax number: (215) 972-1871  
amy.piccola@saul.com

#### SERVICES

Litigation  
Commercial Litigation

#### INDUSTRIES

Higher Education  
K-12 Schools  
Independent K-12 Schools  
Insurance  
InsurTech

Amy Piccola represents clients facing complex commercial litigation particularly for the insurance and higher education industries. Her work for insurers and reinsurers includes matters related to bad faith, failure to pay, and breach of contract. She also collaborates with other insurance attorneys in the firm to keep the industry apprised of developments in the law of insurance bad faith claims through the publication of Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr's monthly *Bad Faith Sentinel*.

In addition to representing colleges and universities in litigation, Amy provides them with advice on issues of compliance, policy, and liability. She also provides counsel to higher education institutions during investigations, particularly those involving the Clery Act and Title IX.

In addition to her bar admission in Pennsylvania, Amy is barred in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

On the pro bono front, Amy assists veterans in obtaining benefits from the Veterans' Administration. She has also represented multiple criminal defendants pursuant to Criminal Justice Act appointments.

## EXPERIENCE

### Insurance

- Representing multiple insurers in statutory bad faith actions.
- Defending an insurer in a purported class action for alleged failure to pay statutory personal injury protection ("PIP") benefits.
- Representing a reinsurer in a breach of contract action pursuant to multiple retrocessional agreements.
- Representing cedents in arbitration matters involving issues of coverage, notice, waiver, prejudice, the duty of utmost good faith, good-faith settlement payments and applicability of follow the fortunes.
- Representing numerous insurance carriers in coverage disputes with their insureds.
- Analyzing existing and potential coverage issues.

## Higher education

- Representation of a major public university in investigating and responding to preliminary findings made by the U.S. Department of Education as to the university's alleged violations of the Clery Act.
- Representation of the same university in responding to an Office of Civil Rights Title IX compliance review.
- Assisting two large public universities in proactively auditing policies and procedures for compliance with Title IX, VAWA, and the Clery Act.
- Providing onsite training sessions on Title IX and Clery Act compliance for several universities and colleges.
- Advising multiple institutions on regulatory interpretation questions and on policy preparation and implementation.

## MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

National Association of College and University Attorneys

University Risk Management and Insurance Association

DRI, The Voice of the Defense Bar

American Bar Association

Pennsylvania Bar Association

Philadelphia Bar Association

## EDUCATION

J.D., Villanova University School of Law, 2008, *magna cum laude*

- Managing Editor of Symposium, *Villanova Law Review*
- Order of the Coif

B.A., Muhlenberg College, 2005, *summa cum laude*

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Order of Omega

## BAR ADMISSION

New Jersey

Pennsylvania

## FIRM MANAGEMENT POSITIONS

Hiring Partner

Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Hiring Partner Liaison