Nowhere is the strength and breadth of MDM&C’s commitment to vigorous advocacy on behalf of its clients more visible than in its appellate practice. Active attorneys in the Firm have argued more than 50 appeals in the New Jersey Supreme Court, more than 25 in the Connecticut Supreme Court, and multiple appeals in the highest courts of the States of Colorado, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, and Wyoming. Attorneys have argued in each of the eleven United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, including more than 50 each in the Second and Third Circuits. The Firm also has appeared in the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. And the Firm’s experience in intermediate appellate state courts, not surprisingly, is also substantial.

Because of the diversity of the expertise of the Firms’ attorneys, clients are able to select attorneys from almost limitless substantive areas, including commercial disputes, public entity contracts and tort claims, business torts, franchising, securities law, insurance defense and coverage issues, environmental issues, fidelity and surety, product liability, toxic tort, professional malpractice, professional ethics, errors and omissions, directors and officers liability, construction (including public and private contract disputes), labor and employment issues, pension and probate issues, state and federal Constitutional matters, patents and trademarks, class actions, state and federal tax cases, and white collar criminal defense. The Firm’s attorneys work directly with clients (and trial counsel) to guide them through each phase of the appellate process. They assist with identifying and developing potential appellate issues during the trial phase, preparing and responding to post-verdict motions, and evaluating prospects for appeal, and they present clients’ appellate claims through vigorous briefing and oral argument.

The Firm provides appellate representation on behalf of parties, and amici curiae and will assist other counsel in preparing for oral argument and presenting post-argument motions. The Firm also has substantial experience in filing petitions for certification both from intermediate state appellate courts and the federal courts of appeal, including many petitions for certiorari to the United States Supreme Court.

In addition to the high degree of substantive expertise which the Firm’s attorneys offer, former Connecticut Supreme Court Justices C. Ian McLachlan who served over nine years on Connecticut’s appellate courts and Justice Peter T. Zarella who served almost two decades on the Connecticut Supreme Court, as well as former Seton Hall Law School Dean Ronald J. Riccio, who is recognized in the area of appellate practice in the Best Lawyers in America, are available to supervise and assist in the preparation of every appeal and appellate brief. No fewer than twenty additional attorneys have served as law clerks in the Supreme Court of Connecticut or New Jersey or in the appellate court of one of those states.