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## Curriculum Vitae

**JAMES P. KEARNS** is an Associate in the Firm's Commercial Litigation Practice Group. His practice areas include premises liability, products liability, warranty and consumer protection defense, employment law, construction law, commercial litigation and class action defense. Jim has represented casinos, bowling alleys, major automobile manufacturers, educational institutions, an international manufacturer of consumer electronics products, and has represented small business owners in negotiating commercial lease agreements, forming business entities and partnerships, and in resolving partnership disputes.

In law school, Jim was a member of the Pace Law Review and served as a Federal Judicial Honors Extern to The Honorable Lois Bloom, Magistrate Judge, Eastern District of New York. Jim was also named a Pro Bono Scholar, and after taking the bar exam a semester before graduation, worked pro bono for his final semester representing victims of domestic violence at the New York Legal Assistance Group.

## Awards

- Listed in Super Lawyers® Rising Stars (2025-2026), a Thomson Reuters business, in the areas of Personal Injury - General: Defense, Civil Litigation: Defense, Employment Litigation: Defense,

and General Litigation. A description of the standard or methodology on which the accolade is based can be found HERE (No aspect of the advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court).

### Industries

Automotive
Construction
Corporate

### Practices

Automotive
Class Actions
Labor & Employment
Litigation
Premises Liability
Product Liability

### Education

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey (B.A. 2013)
Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University (J.D., cum laude 2020)

### Admissions

State of New Jersey
State of New York
U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey