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Jim Tinnyo is a partner in the Harrisburg office of Thomas, Thomas and Hafer, LLP, and also serves as the Chair of the firm's Workers' Compensation Section.

Jim has practiced workers' compensation law in Pennsylvania since 1987 and has litigated workers' compensation cases before numerous workers' compensation judges, the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board, Commonwealth Court and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

Mr. Tinnyo represents a multitude of insurance carriers, third party administrators and employers in workers' compensation litigation throughout the Commonwealth. He is a frequent lecturer on workers' compensation law, including the Pennsylvania Bar Institute's "Tough Problems" and Fall Section meeting seminars. Mr. Tinnyo is author of "Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Law: A New Requirement For Establishing Causation in Off-Premises Injuries," April 2004, Pennsylvania Bar Quarterly.

Jim was also the content review editor of the chapters on workers' compensation in the Pennsylvania Law Encyclopedia, 2006 and 2018 editions.

Practice Areas:

Workers' Compensation

Education:

George Washington University National Law Center, J.D.

The Pennsylvania State University, B.A., Political Science

Bar Admissions:

Pennsylvania, 1985

Maryland, 1992

U.S. Court of Appeals 3rd Circuit, 1986

Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1986

Professional Associations and Memberships:

Dauphin County Bar Association

Defense Research Institute

Pennsylvania Research Institute

Claims & Litigation Management Alliance

Professional Presentations:

Faculty Member and Presenter - Pennsylvania Bar Institute

- "Tough Problems in Workers' Compensation: Considerations for Assessment of Counsel Fees," 2003
- Worker's Compensation Committee Fall Meeting, 2004
- "Tough Problems in Workers' Compensation: New Vocational Strategies in Light of Riddle and Phoenixville Hospital and Vocational Regulations," 2011
- "Tough Problems in Workers' Compensation: Heart & Lung and Workers' Compensation," 2017

Professional Publications:

- PA Workers Compensation Law: A New Requirement for Establishing Causation in Off-Premises Injuries - Pa. Bar Assn Quarterly at 75 Pa Bar. Assn Quarterly 80, April 2004
- Workers' Compensation, Pennsylvania Law Encyclopedia - Content Review Editor, 2006 and 2018 Editions

Honors and Awards:

Rated "AV Preeminent" by Martindale-Hubbell

Significant Appellate Decisions:

- Costa v. WCAB (Carlisle Carrier Corp.), 958 A.2d 596 (Pa. Cmwlt. 2008)
- Trevdan Bldg. Supply v. WCAB (Pope), 9 A.3d 1221 (Pa. Cmwlt. 2010)
- Mills v. WCAB (School Dist. of Harrisburg), 24 A.3d 1094 (Pa. Cmwlt. 2011)
- Boyertown Foundry v. WCAB (Martinez), 34 A.3d 322 (Pa. Cmwlt. 2011)
- East Hempfield Township v. WCAB (Stahl), No. 1058 C.D. 2017 (Pa. Cmwlt. 2018) (Stahl I)
- Stahl v. Workers' Compensation Appeal Bd. (E. Hempfield Twp.), 242 A3d 3 (Pa. Cmwlt. 2020), *pet. for allocatur den.* 244 A.3d 1226 (Pa. 2021) (Stahl II)