

NJ Local Court Practice

Overview

Providing New Jersey Local Court Representation

Archer attorneys serve as New Jersey local counsel for businesses and individuals needing representation in the Camden, Trenton, and Newark Vicinages of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. We offer national counsel and their clients integral knowledge of local court practice and procedure, intimate experience with the courtroom setting, and a strong reputation with the local bench and bar. We understand and respect the primary attorney – client relationship and carefully tailor our role as local counsel to fit your needs.

Litigation and Trial

We serve as New Jersey Counsel for clients litigating significant intellectual property disputes, securities class actions, and multi-district litigation consolidated in the District of New Jersey. We play a variety of roles as local counsel depending on the needs of the client, including:

- Preparing and filing pleadings
- Drafting discovery
- Raising and resolving discovery disputes
- Drafting motions
- Preparing for oral arguments
- Selecting mediators or special masters
- Settlement negotiations
- Trials and appeals

Our trial and appellate lawyers also advise on practice in New Jersey trial courts, the Appellate Division, and the New Jersey Supreme Court, offering guidance on the New Jersey Rules of Evidence and the New Jersey Court Rules, as well as substantive state-law issues. Our attorneys have substantial experience with construction and real estate transactions, environmental issues, labor and employment policies and disputes, government and public affairs strategy, corporate issues, and navigating different types of contracts—to name just a few.

Our Team

When you partner with us, you get the benefit of Archer attorneys' combined experience, including that of a Past President of the Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey, a member of the District of New Jersey Lawyers Advisory Committee, and former federal law clerks. Our team members are leaders of the New Jersey State Bar Association, Specialty and Affinity Bar Associations, as well as former New Jersey Supreme Court clerks.

Arbitrations and Mediations

Our trial attorneys are experienced with arbitration proceedings and can assist referring attorneys and their clients with all aspects of arbitration practice, including initial arbitration case evaluation and strategy, selection of arbitrators, representing clients through the entire arbitration process, and post-arbitration matters. We also have considerable experience mediating cases and can recommend neutrals appropriate for a particular client dispute.

Deep Garden State Roots

Headquartered in New Jersey, Archer has strong connections in the region's legal and business communities that help strengthen our understanding of the state's political, economic, and cultural drivers. Through our involvement in civic, business, and charitable organizations, and bar associations, often as leaders within these organizations, we have developed strong relationships that serve as an indispensable asset to out-of-state firms and their clients.

We welcome new partnerships and look forward to hearing how we can help you.

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