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Samuel B. Santo, Jr. is a Partner at Anselmi & Carvelli LLP and a seasoned commercial litigator with more than 25 years of experience handling complex civil and business disputes. He has tried and arbitrated high-stakes matters in state and federal courts, representing clients in industries ranging from manufacturing and healthcare to technology, logistics, and telecommunications. “By taking the time to understand each client’s business, Sam is able to craft litigation strategies that align seamlessly with their objectives.

Sam’s practice covers a broad spectrum of disputes, including breach of contract, product liability, New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act and Franchise Practices Act claims, employee piracy, healthcare and Third Party Logistics (3PLs), and other business torts. He has successfully represented clients in matters valued in the tens and hundreds of millions of dollars, including representing a healthcare system in a contested certificate of need application, serving as national coordinating counsel in asbestos litigation spanning more than 25 states, and prosecuting a $1 billion fraudulent conveyance action on behalf of an official committee of asbestos claimants. His work also includes representing Fortune 500 companies such as Verizon Wireless and Corning Inc. in disputes involving commercial contracts, facilities, and operational agreements.

Recognized in *New Jersey Super Lawyers®* for Business Litigation, Sam is respected by clients and peers for his courtroom skill and strategic judgment. He approaches every matter with meticulous preparation and a clear focus on achieving the best possible outcome for his clients.

Representative Matters

- Kearfott Guidance & Navigation Corp. in a breach of contract dispute over an inertial navigation guidance systems contract valued at more than $100 million.
- University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in a breach of contract/implied covenant of good faith/employee piracy matter involving claims of more than $10 million.
- Dornbracht USA, Inc. and Aloys F. Dornbracht GmbH & Co. KG (a premium kitchen and bath fixture manufacturer and its U.S. representative) in a variety of matters, including a breach of contract lawsuit implicating franchise practices acts in more than 10 states.
- Liberty Healthcare System/Jersey City Medical Center in an appeal from the State Commission of Health’s rejection of a certificate of need application for a megavoltage radiation oncology program.
- National coordinating counsel in connection with a manufacturer’s defense of asbestos-related wrongful death and personal injury lawsuits in more than 25 states; oversight of more than 20 local counsel law firms.
- Verizon Wireless in a litigation involving the misapplication of commercial instructions.

Representative Matters

- Official Committee of Asbestos Claimants of G-I Holdings, Inc. in an action to set aside an alleged fraudulent conveyance valued at about $1 billion.
- The Newark Group in an action against foreign nationals and their domestic operating company involving claims of employee piracy and tortious interference with business opportunity.
- Corning Inc. in a variety of commercial business issues, including a breach of contract lawsuit over facilities in the United States and Europe.

Practice Areas

- Appeals
- Commercial Litigation
- Product Liability & Defense
- Franchise Litigation
- Employment Litigation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution

Education

- University of Notre Dame Law School, J.D., 1989 (President, Student Bar Association)
- University of Notre Dame, B.A., Government and Philosophy, 1986

Admissions

- State of New York, 1993
- State of New Jersey, 1989
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 1993
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, 1989

Awards

- Listed in New Jersey Super Lawyers®
  - Business Litigation, 2024-2027