

Overview

Step toe & Johnson's Multi-District Litigation (MDL) Team is trusted to assist businesses manage high-stakes and complex litigation cases that are consolidated by the U.S. Judicial Panel on Multi-District Litigation (JPML). Our attorneys understand the unique procedural rules of MDL and the complexities and significant impacts these cases often have for stakeholders. Steptoe & Johnson's attorneys have an in-depth understanding of the federal procedural rules that are critical in MDL and our team is strategic throughout the process to provide time and cost efficiencies to our clients.

Whether your company is facing product liability claims, antitrust violations, consumer fraud allegations, or other multifaceted legal challenges, our team provides comprehensive guidance through every stage of the MDL process. From discovery and pretrial proceedings to settlement or litigation or remand, our team has navigated MDL cases on behalf of large retailers and pharmaceutical companies in federal multidistrict litigation.

At its core, MDL is designed for efficiency, and Steptoe & Johnson's attorneys have mastered MDL processes to help manage legal risks, time, and costs while focusing on strategic outcomes.

Representative Experience

- Defended a major retail grocery store/pharmacy in federal multi-district litigation filed by over 1,000 government subdivision plaintiffs and numerous state court cases filed by State Attorneys General and government subdivisions
- Co-lead counsel defending large pharmaceutical distributor in more than 3,000 opioid lawsuits in state and federal courts nationwide; responsibilities included the removal of state court suits to federal court for transfer to the MDL proceeding
- Defended multiple tire manufacturers in consolidating product liability cases in Texas state and federal courts
- Team member appointed as a member of the National Pharmacy Committee –a group of attorneys representing the country's largest pharmacies in the nationwide multi-district litigation on opioids
- Managed high-stakes pharmaceutical, multi-district litigation for over 100 matters in Ohio



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