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Practice Areas

- Asbestos Litigation
- Catastrophic Personal Injury
- Complex Civil & Business Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Pharmaceutical Litigation
- Products Liability
- Toxic Tort Litigation

OVERVIEW

Andrew McConville is the Partner-in-Charge of Cetrulo LLP's Providence, Rhode Island office. With over 25 years of litigation experience, Andrew has focused his practice on the defense of toxic tort, complex product liability, property damage, construction litigation, and personal injury claims. Andrew appears regularly before the Superior Courts and the United States District Courts in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Andrew is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Rhode Island consolidated asbestos docket in the Firm's role as court appointed Defense Liaison Counsel and works extensively with the Court and counsel in the coordination of pretrial schedules, depositions, trial settings, and docket management. Andrew handles all aspects of litigation including drafting and responding to discovery, taking and defending depositions, serving and responding to subpoenas, writing and arguing dispositive motions, and preparing cases for mediation and trial.

Before entering private practice, Andrew served as an officer and Judge Advocate in the United States Marine Corps. He was stationed at Camp Pendleton, California, where he served as a prosecutor and then as a criminal defense attorney. As a trial attorney in one of the busiest law centers in the Department of Defense, Andrew engaged in extensive motion practice, trial preparation, and contested bench and jury trials involving major complex crimes. He was then selected to serve as an instructor at the Naval Justice School in Newport, Rhode Island, where he taught criminal law and trial advocacy to military attorneys and conducted seminars on evidentiary and administrative matters for senior officers. Andrew also participated in training overseas as an instructor with the Defense Institute for International Legal Studies.

Andrew serves as an Adjunct Professor at Boston College, where he has taught Family Law, Criminal Law, White Collar Crimes, Negotiation Skills and Conflict Resolution.

Andrew serves on the Executive Committee of the Boston College Veterans Alumni Network

and is an Officer and Chapter Treasurer of the Federal Bar Association's Veterans and Military Law Section. He is also a lifetime member of the Naval Justice School Foundation and mentors active duty judge advocates who are transitioning to civilian legal practice.

Andrew is an approved arbitrator for the Rhode Island Superior Court Annexed Arbitration Program and serves as a mediator for the Rhode Island Superior Court's annual Settlement Week. He is a member of the Rhode Island Bar Association's House of Delegates, Superior Court Bench/Bar Committee and Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee.

Andrew is also a graduate of Leadership Rhode Island's Tau II class of 2023 and serves on the Board of Directors at the Providence Children's Museum.

Andrew has been named as a Rhode Island and Massachusetts Super Lawyer and Best Lawyer in America.

EXPERIENCE

- Secured a defense verdict as lead defense counsel in a traumatic brain injury case tried before a jury in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Plaintiff claimed that he was permanently disabled as a result of injuries sustained in an altercation that occurred outside of a popular Boston restaurant. Plaintiff asserted claims for negligent security against the defendant restaurant and conspiracy and negligence against three individual defendants, which included Mr. McConville's client. After a sixteen-day trial, the jury returned a defense verdict, on all counts, in favor of Mr. McConville's client, while awarding the plaintiff \$4.5 million on his claims against the defendant restaurant.
- Secured multi-million dollar recovery in property damage and business interruption claim following explosion and resultant damage to industrial equipment.
- Negotiated favorable resolution in a highly publicized chemical explosion case after defeating plaintiffs' motion for class certification.
- While serving as criminal defense counsel in the Marine Corps, secured a complete acquittal for a Marine client charged with rape in a five-day jury trial involving cutting edge expert testimony in false confessions.
- Obtained an acquittal for a Marine client charged with riot and aggravated assault in a week-long jury trial.

Authorships

- *The GDPR, SCCs, BCRs, and Schrems: Deciphering the Data Privacy Alphabet Soup*, The Federal Lawyer Magazine, May/June 2022.
- *Bargaining, Bottom Lines, and BATNA: Re-Learning the Skill of Negotiation*, The Federal Lawyer Magazine, July/August 2020.

Presentations, Classes & Seminars Taught

- Mock Trial Judge, Brown University (2024)
- Mock Trial Judge, Boston College Law School (2023)
- Mock Trial Judge, UMass Law (2022)
- *Closing the Deal: Bargaining Strategies for Best Results in Asbestos Litigation*, DALs, Featured Panelist, (September 17, 2020)
- *Vaping & E-Cigarettes: A 21st Century Epidemic*, Perrin Conference Webinar, Featured Panelist (November 19, 2019)
- *Conflict Resolution: Negotiation Skills*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor (2019-Present)
- *Criminal Law*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor (2017, 2018, 2019)
- *Professional Criminals (White Collar Crimes)*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor (2019)
- *Family Law*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor, (2016, 2017, 2018)
- *Military Criminal Justice*, Suffolk University Law School, Guest Speaker (2003-2010)
- *Trial Advocacy*, Roger Williams School of Law, Adjunct Faculty (2002, 2003)
- *Criminal Law / Trial Advocacy*, Naval Justice School, Instructor (2000-2003)
- *Executive Seminar on Operational Law/Law of the Sea*, United States Defense Institute for International Legal Studies, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea , Instructor (September 2002)
- *Careers in Military Law Forum*, Boston College Law School, Guest Speaker (2001)

HONORS

- Rhode Island Super Lawyer 2024
- Massachusetts Super Lawyer, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
- The Best Lawyers in America, 2024
- Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, (gold star in lieu of second award)
- National Defense Service Medal, (bronze star in lieu of second award)
- Distinguished Oral Advocate, Legal Practice Skills, Suffolk University Law School

EDUCATION

- J.D., Suffolk University Law School, 1996

- B.A., Boston College, 1993

ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- Rhode Island
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island
- U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals
- U.S. Supreme Court

MEMBERSHIPS

- Federal Bar Association, Veterans and Military Law Section, Board Member
- Defense Research Institute, Member
- Rhode Island Bar Association, Member of Superior Court Bench/Bar Committee and Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee
- Boston College Veterans Alumni Network
- Rhode Island Bar Association, Member of House of Delegates

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Boston College Veterans Alumni Network, Executive Committee
- Leadership Rhode Island, Tau II Class
- Naval Justice School Foundation, Lifetime Member
- Providence Children's Museum, Board of Directors

OUTSIDE CETRULO

When away from the office, Andrew enjoys running and spending time with his wife, three daughters, and their golden retriever.