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LOCATED IN
Philadelphia, PA

MEET MATT

> *"I am a dedicated advocate with a strong commitment to achieving the best results for my clients. I approach legal disputes thoroughly and am always willing to go to trial."*
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> — **Matthew E. Selmasska**

Matt's a versatile litigator who focuses his practice on real estate, business, and transparency disputes. Matt approaches every case as if it's going to trial, and he's committed to going the distance to achieve excellent client results. As an attorney in Obermayer's Litigation Department, Matt prosecutes and defends partnership disputes and business divorce actions, employee restrictive covenant matters, creditors' rights and commercial contract disputes, land use, and other property matters.

Matt also has the privilege of representing providers who serve individuals with intellectual disabilities in their funding disputes with the Commonwealth, and has recovered hundreds of thousands of dollars on behalf of providers.

As a first-generation attorney, Matt enjoys giving back to his community by providing pro bono legal representation to underserved Philadelphians and by volunteering to help high school mock trial teams.

Matt's licensed in the state and federal courts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and also practices before a variety of domestic arbitration forums.

Outside of his practice, Matt's an American history nerd, particularly interested in the American Revolution and the Civil War. He's active in his church, stays fit through weightlifting and CrossFit, and enjoys relaxing at the beach.

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EXPERIENCE

Matt has experience in advocating for clients in and out of the courtroom in various areas of civil law. Some of his most notable cases include:

- In a seven-figure commercial contract dispute, obtained dismissal of the lawsuit on jurisdictional grounds.
- Successfully argued before a panel of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, which affirmed a client's successful motion to dismiss a commercial insurance dispute.
- Obtained an award of attorneys' fees for his clients in federal court following an improper removal of a state court lawsuit.
- Sat second chair at a legal malpractice trial with potential seven-figure exposure, ultimately resulting in a favorable settlement.
- Obtained favorable arbitration awards in residential real estate and commercial contract disputes.
- Obtained a complete defense verdict in a Pennsylvania arbitration matter on behalf of a nationwide trucking company.
- Defended a major general contractor against construction defect claims at a construction mediation before the American Arbitration Association.

NEWS & INSIGHTS

Matthew Green and Matthew Selmasska Win Remand and Fees After Judge Rejects Defendants' Removal Tactic

April 29, 2026 by Matthew E. Selmasska, Matthew A. Green

The Legal Intelligencer: Pa. Court Clarifies Key Factors for Successor Liability in Business Acquisitions

July 07, 2025 by Matthew E. Selmasska, Melissa M. Blanco-Sandman, Mathieu J. Shapiro

Obermayer Joins the Fight Against Cancer in ACS Bridge to Shore Bike-A-Thon

June 03, 2025 by Alexander C. Dungan, Matthew E. Selmasska, Christopher M. Kurek, Andrew Frey, Aleem S. Choudhary, Robert I Whitelaw, Ivo J. Becica

The Partition Action: When Joint Owners of Real Estate Just Can't Get Along

February 24, 2025 by Matthew E. Selmasska

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Matthew Green and Matthew Selmasska Discuss "Browsewrap" Agreements in The Legal Intelligencer

January 16, 2025 by Matthew E. Selmasska, Matthew A. Green

ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Matt's professional affiliations include:

- Volunteer Attorney with Philadelphia VIP
- Volunteer "Big" with Big Brothers Big Sisters Independence
- Building Industry Association of Philadelphia

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EDUCATION

Penn State Dickinson Law, JD

The Citadel, BA

ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

United States District Court for the District of New Jersey

CAPABILITIES

Litigation

Appellate

Commercial Litigation

Construction Litigation

Insurance

Transparency and Public Data

Industry Focus

Financial Services

Individuals & Private Clients

International Businesses

Real Estate & Construction

Universities & Secondary Schools

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