Todd & Weld LLP

Business Litigation

Todd & Weld's Complex Business Litigation team is widely recognized for bringing the breadth of experience and skills it takes to tackle all types of business disputes.

Resolving business disputes quickly, efficiently, and cost-effectively requires a legal partner with the knowledge and skills to pursue the best possible outcome. Todd & Weld's complex business litigation attorneys deliver to clients the ideal combination of courtroom experience, practicality, and strategic creativity.

The Todd & Weld team represents plaintiffs and defendants in virtually every type of business dispute that may arise, including:

- Breach of contract
- Breach of fiduciary duty
- Business torts
- Antitrust
- Unfair and deceptive trade practices
- Trade secrets and noncompetition agreements
- Corporate freeze-outs
- Corporate governance
- Corporate takeover battles
- Shareholder derivative lawsuits

- Proxy contests
- Class actions
- Franchise conflicts

Working with a diverse cross-section of clients ranging from Fortune 50 giants to shareholders in small family-owned businesses, our seasoned and savvy trial lawyers take the time to understand each client's business and goals, then develop a comprehensive case strategy and tactical approach designed to achieve the desired outcome. Our experience has shown that preparing each case from day one as if it will go to trial is the best way to reach a favorable pre-trial resolution. Each business dispute has its own unique set of characteristics and circumstances, and we understand and use them to achieve favorable results.

Whether at the negotiating table, in alternative dispute resolution forums, or in the courtroom, Todd & Weld lawyers are fearless, effective advocates for our clients. We regularly appear in federal and state trial and appellate courts in Massachusetts and other jurisdictions across the country. We have achieved multi-million-dollar verdicts, successfully defended large corporations facing bet-the-company litigation, and skillfully argued important, meaningful issues in federal and state appellate courts.

Known as thought leaders throughout the legal and business communities, members of our Complex Business Litigation practice are quoted in the media, frequently speak at bar and industry events, and author articles on litigation topics for legal and business publications. The practice and several of our attorneys are regularly honored for excellence by *Best Lawyers in America*, *Benchmark Litigation*, and *Super Lawyers*.

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Areas of Focus

- Cannabis Litigation
- Closely Held Business, Shareholder Dispute, and Governance Litigation
- Complex Business Litigation
- Franchise Litigation and Counseling
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Religious Institution Litigation

News & Insights

- Todd & Weld Welcomes Haley Dadgar to its Civil Litigation Practice Group
- Todd & Weld Expands Civil Litigation Practice Group with the Addition of Sandy Recinos
- Howard Cooper Selected to Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's 2026 Hall of Fame Class
- Todd & Weld Recognized in Legal 500 United States 2026 Guide for Commercial Disputes – Boutique Firms
- Todd & Weld, Howard Cooper, and Ingrid Martin Recognized in Newly Released Chambers USA 2026 Guide
- Todd & Weld Secures Trade Secrets Litigation Victory for Northeastern Professor and Battery Technology Company
- Forty Todd & Weld Attorneys Named to 2026 Massachusetts Super Lawyers & Rising Stars List

- Todd & Weld Secures Appellate Victory Affirming Nearly $2.6 Million Breach of Contract Judgment
- Todd & Weld Secures $128K Jury Verdict in Fraud and Defamation Action Involving Former Business Partners
- Tyler Chapman Presents at MCLE Business Litigation Conference on Frustration of Purpose Developments
- Todd & Weld Attorneys Recognized in Legal 500 Boston Elite Rankings
- Major University Settles Incentive Compensation Ban Lawsuit Under the Federal False Claims Act
- Todd & Weld Named to 2026 “Best Law Firms” in Multiple Categories by Best Lawyers
- Partner Joseph M. Cacace Named a 2025 ‘Go To Lawyer’ for Commercial and Consumer Law by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly
- Thirty-Seven Todd & Weld Attorneys Named to 2025 Massachusetts Super Lawyers & Rising Stars List
- Appellate Court Affirms $2.15M Judgment for Luxury Hotel Client
- Paul Cirel Named 2025 “Go To Lawyer” for Professional Malpractice by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly
- Christopher Weld Selected as Posthumous Inductee to Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly 2025 Hall of Fame
- Howard Cooper chosen by Mass. Lawyers Weekly as a Go-To Business Litigation Lawyer
- Todd & Weld welcomes new associate Keval Kapadia
- Joseph Cacace offers choice-of-law analysis in news article

Results

- Court Allows Wrongful Death Claims Against University to Proceed in Significant Duty of Care Ruling
- Major University Settles Incentive Compensation Ban Lawsuit Under the Federal False Claims Act
- Appellate Court Affirms $2.15M Judgment for Luxury Hotel Client
- Firm obtains $1.6M judgment for clients in contract dispute over financial distributions
- Judge rejects breach of fiduciary duty claim of real estate investor
- Judge allows $37.5M Encore Casino fraud suit to proceed to trial
- Judge freezes assets in suit seeking $1.2M for contract breach arbitration awards
- Appellate court awards $600K in back rent to luxury hotel and possession of leased premises; orders hearing on additional damages
- Judge grants summary judgment to client defeating claim for profit share in real estate investment fund
- Firm wins $16.4M jury verdict on behalf of health care provider
- Firm obtains stay order forestalling collection of $4M SBA loan
- David Rich obtains defense verdict defeating abuse of process claim