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Grotefeld Hoffmann is one of the nation's preeminent law firms focusing on property subrogation matters. We have recovered hundreds of millions of dollars on behalf of our Fortune 100 subrogation clients. Our attorneys have wide-ranging experience investigating major losses and have successfully prosecuted claims stemming from fires, explosions, water damage, construction defects, product defects, turbine losses, and boiler and machinery failures.

We also lead within the National Association of Subrogation Professionals (NASP). Our attorneys sit on various national and local chapter NASP boards furthering the objectives of the organization within the subrogation community and beyond. The firm also assists public agencies such as the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and the National Transportation and Safety Board (NTSB) when natural or manmade disaster strikes and property damage results.

Our five offices are positioned to handle subrogation matters throughout the United States, particularly in these key areas:

Fires and Explosions

From residential house fires to explosions at commercial facilities, our attorneys and staff notify potentially culpable parties, retain appropriate consultants, secure loss scenes and preserve relevant evidence within 24 hours of being notified of a claim. This comprehensive approach allows us to maximize subrogation recovery for our clients while avoiding hurdles to litigation such as claims of evidence spoliation.

Water Losses

Our attorneys work closely with qualified experts examining failures of water and flood control systems, which may be caused by improper design, construction or maintenance, to determine the best avenue of recovery for our subrogation clients.

Construction Defects

Our results-oriented team of professionals have the skills, knowledge, and experience to pursue builders, developers, designers, architects, general contractors and subcontractors throughout the country for claims caused by poor construction practices.

Product, Equipment and Machinery Failures

Our attorneys have assembled teams of some of the nation's most well-respected forensic experts in the fields of fire investigation, fire protection, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, and metallurgy to assist in investigating and litigating claims involving various household and commercial products, industrial machines and equipment, and commercial vehicles and automobiles. This process allows us to determine the root cause of the failure while under significant time constraints.

Our Process

We take pride in promptly reporting the status of an investigation, evaluating theories of liability and proposing cost-conscious litigation strategies to our clients. While our goal is to resolve subrogation claims early and in a cost-effective manner, our attorneys investigate and prepare all cases as if trial were inevitable.

This mindset yields favorable results for our clients during pre-suit settlement negotiations, at mediation and arbitration and, if necessary, at trial. We have a proven track record of trying cases to verdict in state and federal jurisdictions throughout the country.