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BIOGRAPHY

Timothy C. Kelleher III is a partner at Jones Kelleher and has been a trial lawyer since 1990. His practice focuses on civil litigation including serious personal injury cases, general liability, product liability, construction site litigation, medical malpractice, and civil rights litigation. His experience has included the successful trial, arbitration, and mediation of a wide variety of cases over the last nearly 30 years.



EDUCATION

- Suffolk University Law School
J.D., 1990
- Boston College
B.A. (*cum laude*), 1987

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court District of Massachusetts
- U.S. Court of Appeals 1st Circuit

Since 2011 Tim has been selected by his peers for inclusion in the publications of Best Lawyers in America and Boston's Best Lawyers in the category of personal injury litigation, plaintiffs, and in 2017 Tim was also selected for inclusion in the category of product liability litigation, plaintiffs. The publication named Tim Lawyer of the Year, Product Liability Litigation Plaintiffs in 2018 and again for 2020, as well as Lawyer of the Year Personal Injury Litigation Plaintiffs for 2021 and 2024. He was featured on the cover of New England's Best Lawyers for 2013 and 2018.

For over a decade, the Martindale-Hubbell National Law Directory has awarded Tim an AV Rating, the highest possible rating for legal ability and ethical standards. The rating is based upon an extensive and confidential peer review by members of the bar.

He has been featured in the Massachusetts and New England Super Lawyers and recognized in Boston Magazine. He has been selected as being among the top 5% of practicing attorneys in an extensive peer review and evaluation process. He has been selected as one of the top 100 lawyers in Massachusetts and New England.

Tim is a Past President of the Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys. He is also on MATA's Board of Governors and its Executive Committee. He is the Chair of the MATA Legislation Committee. He has written testimony and testified before numerous committees at the State House on legislation which impacts the rights of consumers, injured victims, and their families.

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He has received the MATA President's Award, as well as the prestigious MBA Community Service Award in 2014 for his efforts on the End Distracted Driving program.

Tim is also a member of the American Association for Justice and its Council of Presidents. Tim is also active in the Massachusetts Bar Association. He is currently serving on the Joint Bar Committee.

Tim is admitted to practice in all Massachusetts Courts, the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, and the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

He has participated in trial practice seminars; he has written and contributed to numerous articles in the area of civil litigation and trial practice.

Tim is a graduate of Boston College (B.A., cum laude, 1987) and Suffolk University Law School (J.D., 1990). While at Suffolk University Law School, he was a member of the Suffolk University National Trial Team, recipient of the Harold B. Goodwin, Jr. Best Trial Advocate Award, and a member of the Board of Editors of the Suffolk University Law Review.

He is a native of Brockton, Massachusetts and lives in Canton, Massachusetts with his wife and four children.

INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP & AFFILIATIONS

- **Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys**
President, 2012 - 2013
Board of Governors
Executive Committee
Chair, Legislation Committee
- **Massachusetts Joint Bar Committee on Judicial Appointments**
Member
- **American Association for Justice**
Member
- **Massachusetts Bar Association**
Member
- **Litigation Counsel of America**
Fellow
- **Diversity Law Institute**
Member
- **The Trial Law Institute**
Member

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- **Martindale-Hubbell National Law Directory**
AV Rating
- **Massachusetts and New England Super Lawyers**
Super Lawyers, 2006 - Present
Top 100 Massachusetts Super Lawyers, 2013, 2015 - Present
Top 100 New England, 2015
- **Best Lawyers in America**
Lawyer of the Year, Product Liability Litigation Plaintiffs, 2018, 2020
Lawyer of the Year, Personal Injury Litigation Plaintiffs, 2021, 2024
Personal Injury Litigation Plaintiffs, 2011 - Present
Product Liability Litigation Plaintiffs, 2017 - Present
- **New England Best Lawyers**
Personal Injury Litigation, 2006 - Present
- **National Trial Lawyers Association**
Top 100 Trial Lawyers
- **Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys**
MATA President's Award Recipient, 2006, 2008, 2011, 2016, 2017
- **MBA Community Service Award**
2014