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Best Lawyers — Lawyer of the Year 2018 — Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs — Timothy C. Kelleher III — Boston, MA

Best Lawyers — Lawyer of the Year 2020 — Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs — Timothy C. Kelleher III — Boston, MA

Best Lawyers — Lawyer of the Year 2021 — Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs — Timothy C. Kelleher III — Boston, MA

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 33 years. Tim and his Partners have obtained many seven and eight figure results for individuals and their families.

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 and the Judiciary.

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.

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

BIOGRAPHY (CONTINUED)

He has received the MATA President's Award on seven different occasions. Tim has also received the prestigious MBA Community Service Award for his efforts on the End Distracted Driving program.

Tim is a member of the American Association for Justice and past member of its Council of Presidents. Tim is also active in the Massachusetts Bar Association. He has served on the Joint Bar Committee. The JBC reviews and considers judicial applications for the courts of the Commonwealth.

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 where he and his wife raised their four children. They continue to be active members in their community.

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**
  - Past Member
- **American Association for Justice**
  - Member
- **Massachusetts Bar Association**
  - Member
- **Litigation Counsel of America**
  - Fellow
- **Diversity Law Institute**
  - Past Member
- **The Trial Law Institute**
  - Past 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 - Present
  - Top 100 New England
- **Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly**
  - Hall of Fame, 2026
- **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 Plaintiifs, 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, Seven times
- **MBA Community Service Award**