

Mass Torts and Public Health Threats

Hausfeld lawyers have achieved notable success in representing clients injured by unsafe drugs and faulty medical devices. These cases often are called "mass torts" due to the large numbers of people injured by similar products. In related areas, Hausfeld's team of skilled attorneys also represent communities, families, and workers, both in the U.S. and abroad, exposed to environmental and other public health threats. These threats include hazardous chemicals in neighborhoods, workplaces, or in food and water supplies, whether causing present injury to person or property or necessitating court-ordered medical monitoring to prevent future injury. For more information, please visit [here](#).

Lawyers from Hausfeld actively contribute to leading litigation settling and prosecuting jury trials in many of the most important mass tort, environmental, and public health cases in recent decades, such as:

- South African Silicosis Litigation, resulting in compensation for tens of thousands of South African goldminers who suffered occupational lung disease
- The Diet Drug (Fen-Phen) Litigation, resulting in a multi-billion dollar settlement and medical monitoring for millions of U.S. consumers suffering catastrophic heart and lung injuries
- Hormone Replacement Therapy ("HRT") Litigation, in which women represented by Hausfeld lawyers proved their breast cancer was caused by exposure to HRT
- Chinese Drywall Litigation, in which Hausfeld lawyers helped consumers recover tens of millions of dollars from U.S. property damage caused by exposure to corrosive sulfur gases released by drywall
- Starlink GMO Litigation, in which Hausfeld successfully led the prosecution of corn supply contamination claims against genetically modified corn manufacturers

The members of Hausfeld's Mass Tort group often are called upon, whether through judicial appointment or invitation from other similarly seasoned peers, to lead or contribute in steering the substantive and strategic course of mass tort multi-district litigations (MDLs) on behalf of plaintiffs. Our team's deep experience and knowledge in mass tort strategy and management, combined with expertise in topics ranging from science and expert discovery to innovative global resolution approaches, reflect Hausfeld's commitment to leading from the tip of the spear.

Examples of our leadership in mass torts and public health threats include:

- Plaintiff Executive Committee, NFL Concussion MDL (USDC Philadelphia, PA)

- Co-Lead Counsel, GranuFlo/NaturaLyte MDL (USDC Boston, MA)
- Co-Lead Counsel/Co-Chair, Discovery and Science Committees, PPA MDL (USDC Seattle, WA)
- Co-Lead Counsel, Starlink GMO Litigation (USDC Chicago, IL)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, Diet Drugs MDL (USDC Philadelphia, PA)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, HRT MDL (USDC Little Rock, AR)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, Chinese Dry Wall MDL (USDC New Orleans, LA)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, Essure consolidated proceeding (CA state court)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, Bair Hugger MDL (USDC Minneapolis, MN)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, Bard IVC MDL (USDC Phoenix, AZ)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee/Co-Liaison Counsel, Zofran MDL (USDC Boston, MA)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, NCAA Concussions MDL (USDC Chicago, IL)
- Plaintiff Steering Committee, Stryker Hip MDL (USDC Minneapolis, MN)
- Plaintiff Science Committee, Talc MDL (USDC Trenton, NJ)