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**Areas of Concentration**

- Product liability defense and counseling; complex litigation of all kinds.

**Ted Mayer** is Managing Partner of Hughes Hubbard & Reed. He is a member of the firm's Executive Committee and its Compensation Committee. He formerly chaired the firm's Litigation Department. His practice focuses on product liability and on complex litigation generally.

Mr. Mayer's product liability work has included leading successful defense efforts in many of the largest and most complex tort litigations in the US over the past three decades as well as in many individual cases. He has coordinated defense efforts nationally in major litigation in the pharmaceutical industry and has led teams defending manufacturers of vaccines, blood products, automobiles, asbestos-containing products, toys, and many other products. *Chambers USA* has consistently recognized Mr. Mayer as one of the leading product liability defense lawyers in the United States. Outside the products area, Mr. Mayer's experience includes trials, appeals, and coordination of significant litigation in the securities, professional liability, insurance, trust, and bankruptcy areas.

Mr. Mayer has chaired the Product Liability Committee of the Association of the Bar of New York and has served on the Association's Judiciary Committee and Committee on Professional Responsibility. He has lectured and published on topics relating to product liability, class actions and professional ethics. He is the author with Robb Patryk of the treatise *Product Liability*, published by Law Journal Press.

**Awards and Recognitions**

- Ranked by *Chambers USA* 2007–2011 as one of the leading Products Liability lawyers in the United States.
- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2007–2011 in the

**Practice Groups and Other Information**

Litigation  
Not-for-Profit  
Pharmaceuticals & Healthcare  
Product Liability & Toxic Torts  
Securities Litigation  
Arbitration & Alternative Dispute Resolution

**Education Information**

Yale University, B.A., 1974  
Harvard Law School, J.D., 1977

**Bar Admissions**

New York, 1978  
Massachusetts, 1989

specialty of Product Liability Litigation.

- Named in *Who's Who Legal: Product Liability Defense Directory* as an expert in the product liability defense field. (2010, 2011)
- Recognized in *New York Super Lawyers*, General Litigation, 2009, Class Action/Mass Tort 2010.
- Recommended in *Benchmark: Litigation 2010* as a National Products Liability Litigation Star.
- Listed as one of world's leading Life Science lawyers in *The International Who's Who of Life Sciences Lawyer*. (2010, 2011)
- Ranked by *Euromoney's Guide* as one of *The World's Leading Product Liability Lawyers* (2009-2011)

### Highlighted Matters

- Coordination of nationwide defense of a major pharmaceutical manufacturer in personal injury and class action litigation involving a popular prescription drug.
- Defense of major pharmaceutical manufacturers in individual and class action lawsuits and multi-district litigation involving numerous other prescription drugs and vaccines.
- Defense of blood and factor litigation for a major blood center.
- Representation of trusts established to resolve hundreds of thousands of asbestos personal injury and property damage claims.
- Defense of a major automobile manufacturer in its product liability litigation throughout New York State.
- Coordination of nationwide defense of a major automobile auction company against claims of odometer fraud.
- Coordination of defense of a mortgage company in multi-state mortgage fraud litigation, and prosecution of related insurance litigation.
- Prosecution of claims on behalf of a Polish automobile manufacturer against a German supplier arising out of a product defect necessitating a large-scale recall.