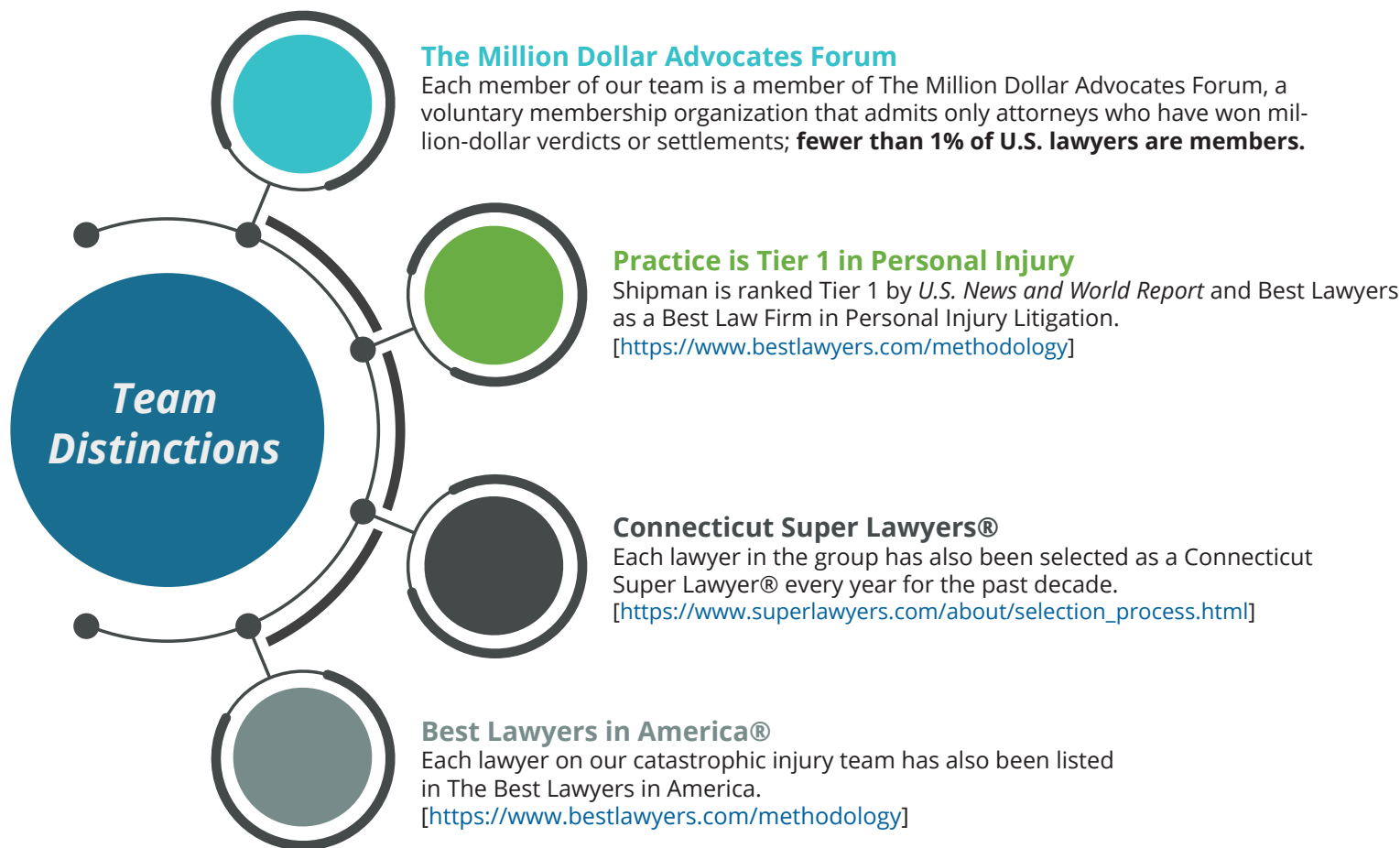


Our team's results speak for themselves and include multi-million recoveries obtained in settlements, jury verdicts, and arbitrations. However, in addition to our results, we pride ourselves on the personalized customer service we provide to our clients while we handle their case. At Shipman, we litigate cases involving catastrophic personal injury and/or death in both federal and state courts. From simple motor vehicle accidents to complex product-related injuries, our lawyers represent the interests of individuals and their families who have suffered life-altering injuries or death. Our team handles cases involving death, physical disfigurement, loss of or limitation to bodily functions, paralysis, traumatic brain injury, amputation, sexual abuse and burn injuries.

Lawyers in this group work alongside a large team of attorneys in a firm that has been in business for more than 100 years. Each catastrophic injury lawyer has tried many significant cases to verdict. The firm uses current case management technology and trial presentation software, and works with a wide range of technical and medical experts. Members of the group regularly teach at law schools and at trial advocacy seminars.

Our firm has experience defending and evaluating catastrophic injury and death cases, giving our plaintiff's team perspective to prepare our clients' cases for settlements or trials. Many of our cases come to our team as a result of referrals from other lawyers.

The team's lawyers in this practice area are proud of the results they have achieved for their clients, which include verdicts and settlements over \$1,000,000. Each lawyer in the group has received professional distinctions and has been recognized by their peers for a variety of honors. Please visit each attorney's biographical page on our website to view their individual distinctions. **If you have questions or would like to discuss a new case, please contact Bill Ronalter at (860) 251-5126.**



EXPERIENCE

\$36,500,000 ARBITRATION AWARD

Defective Product - Catastrophic burns

\$5,025,850 SETTLEMENT & ARBITRATION

Defective Product - Catastrophic burns

\$5,000,000 SETTLEMENT

Truck v. Bicycle - Amputation

\$4,875,000 SETTLEMENT

Motor Vehicle Crash - Mild Traumatic Brain Injury

\$4,500,000 VERDICT

Dental Malpractice - Permanent Nerve Pain

\$4,300,000 SETTLEMENT

Drunk Driver Kills 73-Year-Old Man

To view further results, please visit our website at www.shipmangoodwin.com/catastrophicinjury and click on the **experience tab**. Please note that prior results do not guarantee a similar outcome. Each case has a unique set of facts and circumstances that affect its outcome, and prior results are provided for informational purposes only.

\$3,500,000 SETTLEMENT

Bicycling Crash - Severe Traumatic Brain Injury

\$3,250,000 VERDICT

Hydraulic Lift Injury - Multiple Orthopedic Injuries

\$3,125,000 SETTLEMENT

Truck Strikes and Kills 72-Year-Old Bicyclist

\$2,500,000 SETTLEMENT

Construction Accident - Severe Traumatic Brain Injury

\$1,850,000 SETTLEMENT

Boating Accident - Chronic Regional Pain Syndrome

\$1,545,000 VERDICT

Motor Vehicle Accident - Fibromyalgia

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Bill's practice is devoted to representing individuals who have sustained substantial personal injuries and wrongful death cases. At Shipman, Bill focuses on the quality of his representation of clients in catastrophic injury cases, rather than the quantity of injury cases he is involved in at any given time. This focus allows him the flexibility to be responsive and to listen mindfully to his clients and their needs. Bill prides himself on communicating regularly and proactively with his clients as developments warrant. Bill has more than 30 years of experience handling personal injury cases in various roles, including plaintiff's lawyer, defense lawyer, and as a consultant for an insurance company. Bill represented 8 of the 10 passengers that were killed or injured in the crash of a B-17 airplane at Bradley International Airport in October 2019. He is a Board Certified Civil Trial Advocate, as certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy.



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Jim represents people in all types of personal injury cases including accidents involving motor vehicles and motorcycles, products and premises liability, construction accidents, drownings, boating accidents, environmental hazards and medical malpractice. He handles sexual assault cases on behalf of both adult and children victims. The injuries in the cases he has prosecuted include death, burns, RSD, paralysis, blindness and Legionnaires' disease. He uses technology to help jurors understand in simple terms what might otherwise be complex, including video reconstruction, videotaped depositions, and clear use of illustrations, charts, maps and highlighted documentary evidence. Jim has worked with many different types of expert witnesses, including accident reconstruction experts, and economic and medical experts to establish damages.



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Mark has over 30 years of experience handling catastrophic injury and death claims for both victims and defendants. He regularly works with law enforcement officials, government regulators and forensic investigators to determine the cause of catastrophic events and then utilizes that knowledge to build a case for his clients. He goes to trial armed with the latest case management and courtroom presentation technology and has worked with many scientific, engineering and medical experts. By understanding his clients' and their unique goals, Mark approaches each case with an individually prepared litigation plan. This allows him to work to manage risk consistent with each client's objectives while at the same time containing costs. As a corollary to his trial practice, Mark is often engaged to take the lead on post-accident investigations, regularly interacting with government regulators, OSHA investigators and law enforcement personnel.

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