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The following articles highlight the firm's ongoing commitment and representation involving 9/11 cases, which began more than 15 years ago.

**New 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund Eligibility Requirements emerge to cover many cancers and respiratory diseases.**

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**PAUL NAPOLI WAS PROFILED** in the published book *City of Dust*, a journalistic account of the rescue, recovery and debris-removal activities at the site of the World Trade Center following the September 11, 2001 attacks, authored by former *New York Times* columnist Anthony DePalma.

## Part of Legislation History

## Important News

**IN SEPTEMBER 2016**, President Barack Obama vetoed a bill that would allow 9/11 victims to sue Saudi Arabia. Today the U.S. Senate and the House overrode that veto, making it law. This will allow you to sue those involved in the 9/11 Terrorist attacks including Saudi Arabia, Iran and Afghanistan and the Terrorist Organizations.

This could be an avenue of additional compensation for you in addition to the World Trade Center Litigation Defendants and to the 9/11 Zadroga Victim Compensation Fund. If you had a claim in the World Trade Center Litigation or the 9/11 Zadroga Victim Compensation Fund you can still pursue a claim against the Terrorists and their State sponsors.

**P**AUL LOBBIED New York State and the U.S. Congress for two important pieces of legislation to assist injured workers and residents. These include an amendment to New York's General Municipal Law §50-I ("JIMMY NOLAN'S LAW") that provided a one-year savings statute for otherwise time-barred first responder claims and the JAMES ZADROGA 9/11 HEALTH AND COMPENSATION ACT OF 2010 ("Zadroga Bill"), which provides for medical monitoring and cash awards for injured first responders, local office workers and community members injured by the post-9/11 fallout.

Our office also helped pass the re-opened Victim's Compensation Fund and process many of its claims.

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## Settlements Reached By Workers Claiming 9/11-Related Illnesses

March 23, 2015 | Joel Stashenko | New York Law Journal

**A** FEDERAL JUDGE has approved settlements reached by 78 workers who claimed toxic substances causes their respiratory and intestinal problems as they cleaned private buildings near the World Trade Center after 9/11.

Southern District Judge Alvin Hellerstein said the settlements in *In Re World Trade Center Disaster Site Litigation*, 1-mc-102, met the standards for fairness that have been spelled out in other federal cases, including in the related 9/11-worker matter of *In Re World Trade Ctr. Disaster Site Litig.*, 21-mc-100 (SDNY 2010).

Hellerstein said the settlements involving the 78 workers were found to be fair because they involved adversarial negotiations, no evidence of collusion and were resolved with discovery far enough along for the parties to have fairly evaluated their prospects of success.

"Because the settlements are the result of a fair process, the consideration to be paid is resumably also fair, adequate, and reasonable," Hellerstein wrote. The terms of the settlements were not disclosed, though Hellerstein said they "compare favorably" in the aggregate and individually to the settlement in *In Re World Trade Ctr. Disaster Site Litig.*, 21-mc-100, over which Hellerstein is also presiding.

That case, in which Hellerstein approved a settlement in 2010, involved more than 10,000 people who worked at the site in the wake of 9/11 and who also experienced respiratory, intestinal and other health problems (NYLJ, March 12, 2010).

Of the 78 plaintiffs involved in the latest settlement, 26 settled their cases entirely and 52 reached partial settlements. All are represented by attorney Paul Nap-

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oli of the Napoli Firm.

They are part of a larger group of about 1,100 workers who claim injuries from cleaning about 100 private buildings around the site of the wrecked twin towers after 9/11. There are about 345 defendants in the claim.

Napoli said his firm continues to represent about 900 plaintiffs in the case before Hellerstein and plans to proceed to trial against two of the largest defendants, Blackmon Mooring Steamatic Catastrophe and Weston Solutions.

The plaintiffs claim that neither company took steps to properly protect workers from exposure to dangerous materials during the cleanup after 9/11 in the World Financial Center and other buildings around the World Trade Center. Napoli said Hellerstein has scheduled a three-day settlement conference in the case this week. "It's the last bit of litigation that remains in the World Trade Center catastrophe," Napoli said in an interview Friday. "There is no more litigation after this that has been filed. There's the potential in the future for cancer cases to be filed, but for what's been filed, this is it."

Hellerstein had been presiding over the World Trade Center Disaster Site litigation since Congress.

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## WTC Plaintiff's Attorneys "Thrilled" About Recommendation for Cancer Coverage in World Trade Center Health Program

June 8, 2012 | The Sacramento Bee

**T**HE LAWYERS OF THE NAPOLI FIRM today applauded the proposal by Dr. John Howard, Director of the National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health and the Administrator of the World Trade Center Health Program, that the Program accept the entire set of recommendations issued previously by its Science/Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) to provide coverage for certain types of cancer resulting from exposure to toxins released at Ground Zero.

Dr. Howard's recommendations were issued in documents today (June 8, 2012); they will be subject to public review and comment for 30 days before being implemented. The Napoli firm served as Plaintiffs' Co-Liaison Counsel for the *In re: World Trade Center Disaster Site Litigations* and successfully negotiated a settlement on its clients behalf worth more than \$800 million.

Paul J. Napoli issued the following statement: "My partners and all the employees of our firm are so thrilled to learn of Dr. Howard's recommendation that all of the suggested cancers identified for coverage should be included under the World Trade Center Health Program. Representing these brave heroes for more than eight years, we have seen the devastating impact of World Trade Center related injuries on our clients and their families. It is this tragic long-term fallout of the World Trade Center disaster that has driven our tireless work for so many years on these clients' behalf."

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# WTC Lead Counsel Applauds Zadroga Advisory Committee's Recommendation that WTC Related Cancers Be Covered

Recommendation by WTC Advisory Panel to include Cancer treatment in Zadroga Bill Benefits is great news, say WTC Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

March 26, 2012 | The Napoli Firm | Yahoo! Finance

**T**HE NAPOLI FIRM, Lead Counsel for Plaintiffs in the World Trade Center Disaster Litigations, today announced its strong support for the Draft Report release by the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program Scientific/Technical Advisory Committee (STAC).

Trade Center Disaster Site Litigations, today announced its strong support for the Draft Report release by the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program Scientific/Technical Advisory Committee (STAC). That report, provided at the request of the Administrator of the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Law of 2010 ("Zadroga Act") recommends that the Zadroga program provide coverage for treatment and monitoring of some 20 cancers believed related to the toxic exposures suffered by first responders and other workers at the site of the World Trade Center during rescue, recovery and debris removal activities following the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Pending a further hearing scheduled for March 28, 2012, the Committee's initial recommendations are that cancers of the respiratory system (including nose, nasal cavity and middle ear, lung and bronchus, pleura, trachea, mediastinum and other respiratory organs be listed as WTC-related conditions. These cancers are associated with exposure to many carcinogenic agents of concern at the WTC, including arsenic, asbestos, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, nickel, silica dust and soot.

**"Of course, our clients' experiences and illnesses have demonstrated to us and to those others who have been working with these cases that there is a strong link between their exposures at the WTC site and developing a number of different cancers," said Senior Partner Paul. J. Napoli.**

The respiratory tract is also the major site for acute and chronic toxicity resulting from WTC-exposures, including chronic nasopharyngitis, upper airway hyperreactivity, chronic laryngitis, interstitial lung disease, "chronic respiratory disorder - fumes/vapors", reactive airways disease syndrome (RADS) and chronic cough syndrome.

The committee has also recommended that certain cancers of the digestive system, including esophagus, stomach, colon and rectum, liver and intrahepatic bile duct, retroperitoneum, peritoneum, omentum and mesentery be listed as WTC-related conditions. The Committee also noted that gastrointestinal reflux disease (GERD) is associated with cancer of the esophagus, especially if it progresses to Barrett esophagus.

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## Helping 9/11 Ill and Injured an Uphill Task Despite challenges, attorney Napoli is waging a war for justice for first responders.

October 2011 | Cynthia Brown | American Police Beat

**N**O ONE WAS SURPRISED when eight years ago, a police officer who had contracted cancer while working on the search and recovery effort at the World Trade Center site knocked on the doors of the Napoli firm when he had nowhere else to turn.

The Napoli firm met with the officer. It turns out he had gone to see several other attorneys and none of them would take his case. The Napoli law firm goes to bat for people who have been seriously injured by harmful drugs, chemicals and other toxic substances as well as those who have been victims of financial fraud.

The firm has been squaring off against some of the most powerful interests in the U.S., if not the world, for tens of thousands of victims for close to 30 years. "We have represented clients who have been harmed by diet drugs, pregnant mothers who were prescribed anti-depressants like Paxil and then gave birth to babies with serious deformities, and people who developed cancer after being exposed to ionizing radiation spewing out of a nuclear power plant," Napoli explains.

"We are very proud that we have been able to win generous financial settlements over the years on behalf of people who have come to us for help after suffering a wide range of injuries," Paul Napoli says. "It's a track record we are proud of."

"When that police officer showed up at our door the Victims Compensation Fund had been closed," Paul explained, "People like this officer had no way to get com-

ensation for the serious illnesses they were getting."

"We could understand why the other lawyers were reluctant to take these battles on," Napoli continued. "These cases are incredibly expensive to pursue. It's very difficult to prove beyond a doubt that a cancer or other illness was caused by exposure to a specific toxic substance.

"On top of that you are going up against some formidable foes like New York City who have enormous resources at their disposal. But on September 11 our offices were half a block away from the site. We had a constant reminder of the attacks and we felt it was our duty and obligation to try and get justice for New York City's Bravest and Finest."

Shortly after that first police officer approached the Napoli firm about representation, the flood gates opened. Eight years later the firm is representing thousands of police officers and other first responders who became ill after working at the site in lower Manhattan and the Fresh Kills Landfill in Staten Island.

Paul's work has become more like a mission, has been costly and if he doesn't win a settlement on behalf of the client, the firm does not recoup the millions of dollars – now close to \$35 million – he spent on the complicated litigation. While the total monetary investment made by the Napoli firm has topped \$35 million, the personal sacrifices – long hours and time away from his family – have been great as well.



## Francesc Torres Memory Remains at The Imperial War Museum

August 24, 2011 | [fadwebsite.com](http://fadwebsite.com)



**T**HE EMPTY SHELL OF HANGAR 17 at JFK Airport became a storehouse of memories when it was filled with the material cleared from the World Trade Center site following the September 11th attacks on New York City.

Marking the tenth anniversary of 9/11, these photographs by Francesc Torres explore inside the hangar and reflect on the emotional power of what remained, from personal belongings to steel girders distorted by the force of the attacks. The exhibition will also be on display at the International Centre for Photography in New York and at the Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona.

Memory Remains is presented in cooperation with the National September 11th Memorial & Museum and the International Center of Photography, in as-

sociation with the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey. Original funding for Memory Remains was provided by the Government of Spain - Ministry of Culture, the Institut Ramon Llull, and the John and Margo Catsimatidis Foundation.

For further information on the National September 11th Memorial & Museum in New York visit [911memorial.org](http://911memorial.org), [london.iwm.org.uk](http://london.iwm.org.uk)

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A Book of the same name Memory Remains is published by National Geographic [randomhouse.com](http://randomhouse.com).

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## Compensation Through Legislation for 9/11 Responders and Victims: An Analysis of Zadroga

June 1, 2011 | Paul Napoli, Esq. and Brian Crosby, Esq. (the Napoli firm) | Westlaw Journal\*



Joseph Zadroga speaks at a news conference Nov. 29, 2010, calling for the passage of the bill named after his son, James Zadroga,

**O**N JAN. 2, 2011, President Obama signed into law the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010, P.L. 111-347, providing a long-awaited victory for responders, victims, survivors, workers and other individuals affected by the collapse of the World Trade Center towers in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. With the enactment of Zadroga, the Sept. 11 Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 will reopen. Title IV of P.L. 107-42, enacted shortly after the 2001 terrorist attacks, established the “original” Sept. 11 Victim Compensation Fund of 2001. That VCF, however, was closed to new claims by statutory mandate Dec. 22, 2003.

Subsequently, and prior to the recent enactment of

Zadroga, the only recourse available to the thousands of injured rescue, recovery and debris-removal workers and volunteers was through costly and lengthy litigation. Zadroga now allows for an alternate route to litigation: compensation through legislation. While not to be discussed here, another momentous perk to Zadroga is health benefits under the World Trade Center Health Program. The aim here is to summarize and highlight certain important aspects of the VCF as amended under the newly enacted Zadroga.

This type of federal no-fault compensation fund legislation is historic but not unprecedented. Zadroga follows in the foot-steps of other notable acts such as the Price-Anderson Nuclear Industries Indemnity Act, the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program and the War Hazards Compensation Act of 1942.

Zadroga’s Title II reopens the VCF. Title II does not replace the original VCF; rather, it amends and supplements certain provisions of Title IV of the original VCF. Section 403 of the original VCF provides the still-applicable purpose of the VCF: “to provide compensation to any individual (or relatives of a deceased individual) who was physically injured or killed as a result of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes of Sept. 11, 2001.”

This simply stated purpose, however, becomes more complex in light of the provisions concerning eligible “individuals” under the VCF and other requirements. Section 405(c) discusses eligibility for compensation in general.



# 9/11 Health Deal Gets OK Ground Zero workers will receive up to \$815 Million as 95.1% accept settlement

November 20–21, 2010 | Chad Bray, Devlin Barrett contributed | Wall Street Journal, Greater New York

**M**ORE THAN 95% of Ground Zero workers agreed to accept a settlement of long-running litigations over respiratory diseases and other injuries suffered in recovery operations following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attack.

A report released Friday said 95.1% of 10,563 eligible plaintiffs agreed to settlement payments of at least \$625 million and possibly as much as \$815 million. Approval by at least 95% of the workers was needed under the settlement terms.

“We negotiated for over two years to achieve this settlement for our clients, which we truly believe is the best result, given the uncertainty of protracted litigation,” said Paul Napoli, one of the lead lawyers for the workers.

More than 10,000 workers sued the city and its contractors, as well as other related parties, for failing to adequately protect them while they worked at the World Trade Center site in the months following the 2001 terrorist attack. Many workers claim to be suffering asthma, blood cancers and other illnesses as a result of inhaling the toxic dust at the site.

The main settlement with the city and its contractors is worth at least \$625 million and an additional \$103 million is available through settlements with related parties over Ground Zero debris, including the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The city’s settlement could increase to as much as \$712.5 million, de-

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pending on how many people opt into the settlement.

It’s possible the number of people participation could increase in the coming weeks. Someone suffering from serious lung disease as a result of injuries suffered while working at the former World Trade Center site could recover more than \$1 million under the settlement with the city and its contractors.

The settlement comes as New York lawmakers are trying to push through legislation in Congress that would provide health care and separate compensation to sick workers. Last week, U.S. District Judge Alvin Hellerstein in Manhattan agreed to extend the settlement deadline by a week for police officers, firefighters and other workers to accept the terms.

“This settlement is a fair and just resolution of these claims, protecting those who came to the aid of this City when we needed it most,” Mayor Michael Bloomberg said in a statement.



# 9/11 Workers Approve Settlement with New York City

November 19, 2010 | Jesse Solomon | CNN

**A SETTLEMENT** in New York City will pay out hundreds of millions of dollars to ground zero workers exposed to toxic debris after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, lawyers said Friday.

Plaintiffs narrowly approved the deal after facing a Tuesday night deadline that required 95 percent of some 10,000 people who worked at ground zero to approve the measure, according to the Napoli firm, an attorney for the plaintiffs.

In March, U.S. District Court Judge Alvin Hellerstein rejected an earlier settlement, saying that it did not do enough to address the workers' ailments.

**New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg called the deal "a fair and just resolution of these claims, protecting those who came to the aid of this city when we needed it most."**

Friday's agreement concludes a seven-year fight between the city and first responders, who have said they were not properly outfitted for rescue and cleanup efforts after the 9/11 attacks, leaving them exposed to toxic dust that later prompted respiratory health issues.

The deal paves the way for at least \$625 million in city payouts. "It's a fantastic deal for everybody," the Napoli firm said. "Is it perfect? No. Is there a perfect deal? No. But this is as good a deal as you're going to get."

Former New York City Police Department Detective

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg called the deal "a fair and just resolution of these claims, protecting those who came to the aid of this city when we needed it most."

"We will continue our commitment to treatment and monitoring of those who were present at ground zero," Bloomberg said on Friday.

Congressional reaction to the announcement came quickly.

"The agreement reached today on the 9/11 settlement is a positive step for many ailing first responders — but the problem isn't over," New York Reps. Jerrold Nadler, Peter King and Carolyn Maloney said in a joint statement. "Nearly everyone agrees that the settlement does not provide adequate funding to fully compensate those who are injured among the more than 10,500 plaintiffs in this case, nor does it cover the tens of thousands of 9/11 responders and survivors who are injured but have not filed lawsuits."

New Jersey Sen. Frank Lautenberg praised the deal, pledging to "continue working to pass the James Zadroga 9/11 health bill in the Senate to create a long-term solution that meets our responsibility to the heroes of September 11th."

Those who signed onto Friday's settlement would still be eligible for the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act.

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# NY Lawyers Working Hard to Seal the Deal on 9/11 Settlement

November 8, 2010 | Mark Hamblett | New York Law Journal

**A** **UNPRECEDENTED EFFORT** to persuade some 10,000 plaintiffs who responded to the World Trade Center terror attacks to accept a \$712.5 million settlement of their respiratory illness claims is nearing the finish line. Firefighters, police and cleanup workers who toiled in the pit at Ground Zero face a filing deadline today to opt in to the settlement, and the lead plaintiffs' lawyer said last week that he expects to meet the 95 percent participation level required to make the settlement effective.

"We're getting a lot of releases, we have over 8,500 in hand and I expect by [today] to have a lot more," said Paul Napoli of the Napoli firm. "I'm confident that, at the

**Paul Napoli says, "I'm confident that, at the end of the day, we are going to get 99 to 100 percent."**

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Still, campaigning for the settlement in *In re World Trade Center Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 100, continued down to the wire as the firm held one-on-one meetings with clients at its own offices and in rented hotel conference rooms and ballrooms. On Wednesday night, lawyers were in Nassau County and on Staten Island on Thursday. Further meetings were scheduled during the weekend in Manhattan, Queens, Brooklyn and the Bronx.

Mr. Napoli's firm, serving as co-liaison plaintiffs' counsel, represents the vast majority of the claimants in the seven-year-old litigation. Nicholas Papain and Andrew J. Carboy of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath &

Cannavo, represent some 679 police and firefighters who have, or fear they will have, respiratory and other illnesses from inhaling the toxic dust and ash produced by the collapse of the twin towers on Sept. 11, 2001. About 300 additional plaintiffs are represented by a half dozen other law firms.

One lawyer involved in the litigation, who asked not to be named because of the sensitivity of the last-minute push, said attorneys heard comments from several people about how hard everyone—plaintiffs' and defense attorneys and the court—was pushing the settlement. "Well, at a certain point, yeah, guilty as charged," the lawyer said. "They negotiated hard for this thing for over two years and, at the end of the day, people should not be surprised they are pushing for it. They think it's in everyone's best interest to do it. They think this is the best settlement [the plaintiffs] are going to get."

It has taken more than two years for the plaintiffs' lawyers to negotiate a settlement with New York City and its contractors and lawyers for the World Trade Center Captive Insurance Co., an entity formed to manage insurance costs associated with the response to the terror attacks and funded by a \$1 billion grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The parties thought they had reached a final agreement in early 2010. But on March 19, Southern District Judge Alvin K. Hellerstein stunned Mr. Napoli; James Tyrrell of Patton Boggs, who is the city's lead outside counsel; and the lead lawyer for the WTC Captive, Margaret Warner of McDermott Will & Emery, when he rejected the proposed deal.



## Most Sept. 11 Responders Suits Over Dust

November 8, 2010 | CBS News Team | CBS News

**M**ORE THAN 10,000 WORKERS exposed to the tons of toxic dust that blanketed ground zero after the World Trade Center fell have ended their bruising legal fight with New York City and joined a settlement worth at least \$625 million, officials said Friday.

The deal will resolve an overwhelming majority of the lawsuits over the city's failure to provide protective equipment to the army of construction workers, police officers and firefighters who spent months clearing and sifting rubble after Sept. 11, 2001.

Among the thousands who sued, claiming that soot at the site got into their lungs and made them sick, more than 95 percent eligible for the settlement agreed to take the offer. Only 520 said no or failed to respond.

City officials and lawyers for the workers said they welcomed a resolution to a case that had pitted New York and a long list of demolition companies against the very men and women who helped lower Manhattan recover.

"This settlement is a fair and just resolution of these claims, protecting those who came to the aid of this City when we needed it most," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said in a statement.

Paul Napoli, with the law firm representing most of the workers, called the settlement "the best result, given the uncertainty of protracted litigation."

The settlement, which has been on the table since the spring, won approval by the thinnest of margins. Under terms of the deal, it would only become effective if at least 95 percent of eligible plaintiffs signed on. It just cleared that hurdle, with 95.1 percent.

The settlement will provide at least \$625 million to the workers, although related deals with other defen-

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dants, including the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, will likely boost that total to \$725 million or more.

A majority of the money will come from a special \$1 billion fund set up by Congress and paid-for by the American people. Workers could have qualified for an even larger total, topping \$800 million, if enough workers had accepted the offer. The payment amount was based partly on how many agreed to join.

The deadline to opt in to the deal was Tuesday. The results were withheld from the media and public for three days while lawyers loaded documents into a computer system and verified the numbers.

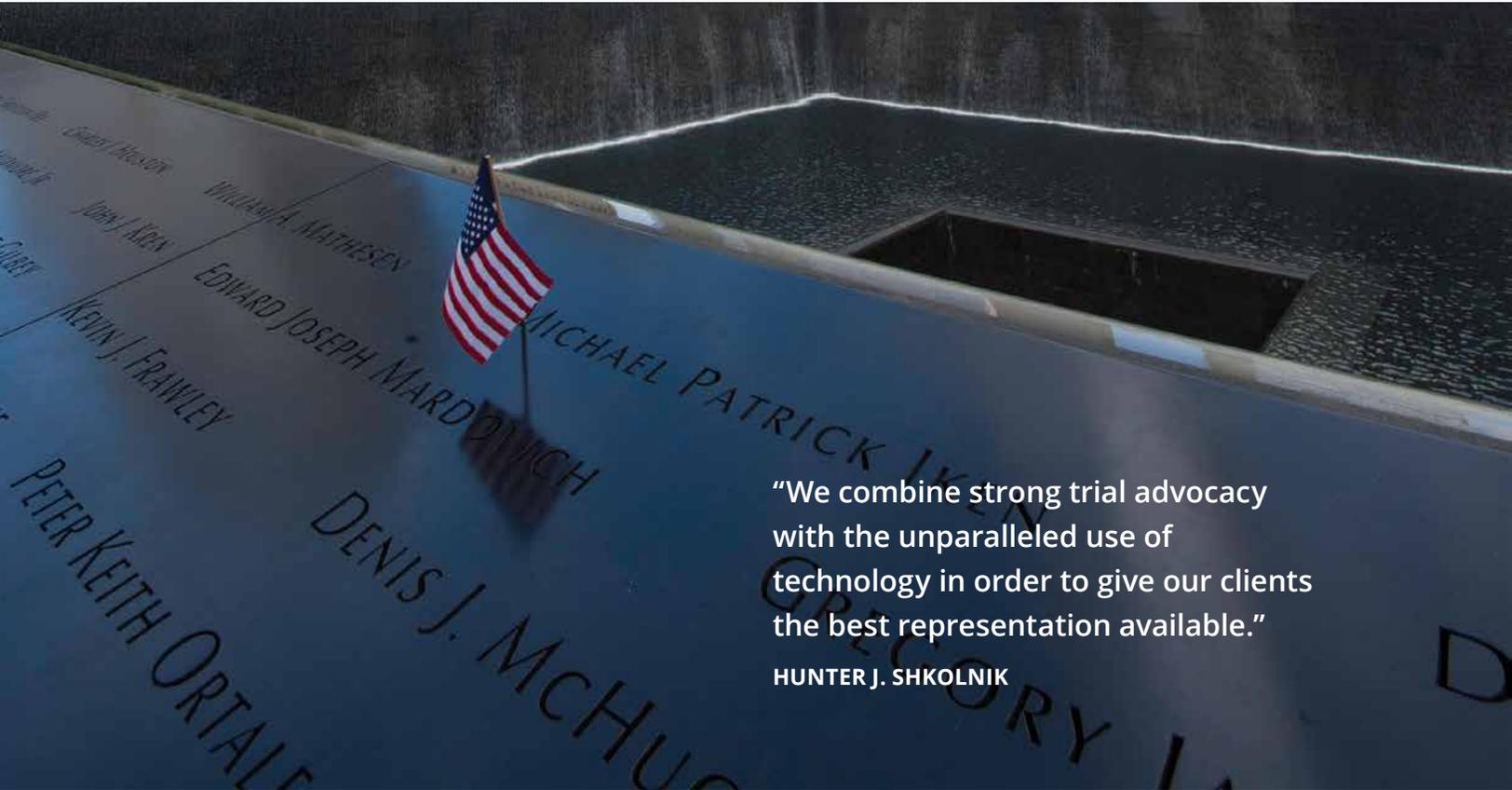
Barring an act of Congress, the settlement will be the largest pool of compensation for people who fell ill in the years after their service at the trade center.

The U.S. Senate is considering legislation, already passed in the House of Representatives, that would authorize as much as \$7.4 billion in medical care and payments to the sick. Thousands of people believe they have illnesses caused by trade center dust.

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New York City Police Museum

The Bone Marrow Foundation

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MARIE NAPOLI

**\$816.45 Million Settlement**

For injuries sustained by Firefighters, Police Officers and Construction Workers at Ground Zero from toxic dust.

**\$47.5 Million Settlement**

For injuries sustained by Rescue and Recovery workers at ground zero from toxic dust recovered from The Port Authority of NY and NJ.

**\$28 Million Settlement**

For injuries sustained by Rescue and Recovery Workers at Ground Zero from Toxic Dust while working on the Barges and Piers.

**\$24.5 Million Settlement**

For injuries sustained by Rescue and Recovery workers at Ground Zero from toxic dust at Fresh Kills landfill.

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**OF COUNSEL PAUL NAPOLI** was appointed by the United States District Court as a Liaison Counsel representing more than 11,000 first responders and other rescue and recovery workers, and you, who were injured during the rescue, recovery and debris-removal activities at the World Trade Center in the months following 9/11. Paul was instrumental in obtaining settlements that are today valued at more than \$816 million for his clients.

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