The firm is pleased to announce the addition of 3 new Partners and a promotion to Partner.

Paul Napoli says, “These four individuals exemplify the firm’s commitment to excellence for our clients and one another.”

Ms. Marlow joins the firm from Reed Smith LLP and will be heading up the firm’s Complex Commercial Litigation Department out of the Long Island office.

Mr. Lavin was previously with Butzel Long and will also be part of the Complex Commercial Litigation Department, focusing on Parity Litigation out of Washington DC.

Mr. Schnieders, formerly of Wagstaff & Cartmell, LLP, is a welcome addition the firm’s Pharmaceutical Litigation Department and is based in Kansas.

Mr. Badala will continue to be a key member of the Complex Commercial Litigation Department in Long Island while expanding his duties as General Counsel.

Each accomplished lawyer brings their wealth of experience and knowledge to their legal teams and litigations. Hunter Shkolnik comments, “We know that they are more than capable attorneys. However, we also need strong leaders and forward thinkers, which this group brings to Napoli Shkolnik.”

The firm received national and regional (NYC) tier designation in the “Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Plaintiffs” category. This achievement recognizes the firm’s clear, professional commitment and dedication to their clients and the practice of law.

“Every one of us at the firm works diligently to deliver on our Mission Statement to achieve results for our clients by providing excellent & compassionate client focused service and outstanding legal representation,” shares Paul Napoli, Of Counsel. “To be recognized for our integrity and professionalism makes doing our job all the more rewarding.”
NAPOLI SHKOLNIK REPRESENTS JOHN RAMSEY IN HIS WRONGFUL CONVICTION CASE

Court papers charge that the NYPD and Brooklyn District Attorney withheld exculpatory evidence.

Lawyers for John Ramsey, 58, who spent 33 years in prison for a murder he did not commit filed motion papers in Brooklyn Supreme Court to vacate his 1981 conviction in the murder of a drug dealer in a Flatbush crack house.

“There is no physical evidence linking John Ramsey to the crime,” said Craig Phemister, his attorney from the litigation firm of Napoli Shkolnik PLLC. “He was not even there that night.”

Hill Harper, the well-known actor and respected activist added, “All of us should demand that the DA be sitting with us, in support of this motion and say ‘Mea Culpa, the previous DA did this horrible thing, but I will make it right,’” during the Press Conference held near the courthouse.

Ramsey summed it all up in a poignant plea, “All I want is my life back... Justice without Truth is not Justice”

PARTNERS MARIE NAPOLI AND NICHOLAS FARNOLO APPOINTED TO LEADERSHIP ROLES IN ZIMMER PRODUCT LIABILITY LITIGATION

Napoli Shkolnik PLLC is proud to announce that Founding Partner Marie Napoli and Partner Nicholas R. Farnolo have been appointed to the Plaintiffs’ Steering Committee for In Re: Zimmer M/L Taper Hip Prosthesis Or M/L Taper Hip Prosthesis With Kinectiv Technology And Versys Femoral Head Products Liability Litigation (18-MD-2859-PAC) by United States District Judge Jesse M. Jurman.

“It is an honor to have been selected to this committee and I welcome the opportunity to work with the other members to move this litigation forward favorably for our clients,” says Marie Napoli.

Nick Farnolo adds “that the law is constantly changing, so patients who have previously received legal advice that they have no claim for their failed hips, revision surgery or cobalt poisoning, due to the manufacturers defective product and false advertising, may now be entitled to a recovery. It is important that they reach out as soon as possible to have a fresh legal review of their medical records.”

Our attorneys strive to achieve the maximum compensation and results for all our clients.

View recent verdicts and settlements at napolilaw.com.
PARTNER HUNTER J. SHKOLNIK RE-APPOINTED AS CO-LIAISON COUNSEL IN FLINT WATER CRISIS LITIGATION BY UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE JUDITH E. LEVY

With his extensive multi-district litigation and consolidated, complex proceedings experience in federal and state courts across the country, Mr. Shkolnik has the necessary knowledge and skill to represent individuals affected by the Flint Water Crisis. Having a local Flint office staffed by local lawyers and employees only makes Mr. Shkolnik and the firm’s ties to the Flint community stronger.

Since his original appointment, Mr. Shkolnik and his legal team, including partner Louise R. Caro, associates Patrick J. Lanciotti, Tate J. Kunkle, and Aaron Modiano and Of Counsel, Paul J. Napoli, have achieved several significant administrative orders ensuring this litigation continues to move forward efficiently.

The team continues to work diligently on the comprehensive plan they created for effective communication with clients and attorneys on the status of the litigation, including outlining anticipated discovery, class certification and a bellwether trial plan.

“I am truly honored to have been re-appointed as Co-Liaison Counsel for this important litigation,” says Mr. Shkolnik. “The residents of Flint are in desperate need of a resolution from the nightmare situation they’ve faced for years. We will continue to fight for the people of Flint.”

Were you or someone you know below Canal Street any period of time between 9/11/01 and 5/30/02?

You may be entitled to participate in the Victim Compensation Fund (VCF) for many cancers and other diseases.
Do not miss the deadline to file a claim.

Napoli Shkolnik PLLC is a proud sponsor of the Local Government Trailblazers Workshop as presented by the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) Women’s Leadership Council.
MARIE NAPOLI SELECTED FOR THE NATIONAL TRIAL LAWYERS FOR WOMEN’S RIGHTS – TOP 10

Founding Partner Marie Napoli has been included in the invitation-only National Trial Lawyers for Women’s Rights – Top 10 list. Ms. Napoli and other members of the National Trial Lawyers for Women’s Rights – Top 10 exemplify superior qualifications of leadership, reputation, influence and performance in their area of specialty.

As a member of this professional affiliation, Ms. Napoli is part of a group of trial lawyers from across the country who share their knowledge, experience and expertise in handling women’s rights cases to provide the best possible representation for their clients.

“It is a privilege to be part of an organization that empowers women to protect individual’s rights, especially those of women,” says Marie Napoli. “Through our combined knowledge and resources we can truly make a substantive difference in the lives of our clients.”

PUBLISHED IN NEW YORK LAW JOURNAL

“Statute of Limitations in Toxic Tort Cases: CPLR 214-f and Beyond” by Of Counsel Paul J. Napoli and Associate Michelle Greene was published in the Expert Analysis section of Volume 261-No. 7.

The piece focuses how this amendment will have significant impact in the coming years allowing plaintiffs to bring toxic tort claims in connection with newly designated Superfund sites, claims that might otherwise be barred by existing New York statutes of limitations.

“Forceful Brief Writing and Oral Argument” by Partner Joseph Napoli and Associate Kristina M. Georgiou was published in the Analysis section of Volume 260-No. 99.

The article focuses on the best way to thoroughly prepare a case based on the facts and the law in order to win an appeal.
WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY

“Your firm was there for us all the time. Simply, you were always there for us and kept our spirits up. We just want to thank you for assistance concerns and professionalism in this matter.”
John and Mary Ellen N.

“Words can never express my sincere thanks for everything you have done for me and my family. You were there from Day 1 to the final days and your support, guidance, and understanding never wavered. You are simply exceptional.”
James B.

RECENT CASES

$1 MILLION MEDIATION SETTLEMENT
This medical malpractice case involved permanent scarring to our client’s face and abdomen after a failed, routine face lift.

$2.75 MILLION LABOR LAW SETTLEMENT
Our client was a cook at a restaurant but was instructed to clean the signs outside a restaurant under construction. Our client was on top of an 8-foot A-frame ladder belonging to the construction company, cleaning the elevated sign, when he fell. The uneven sidewalk in front of the restaurant contributed to the accident and as a result of his fall, our client required multiple surgeries.

$2 MILLION ZADROGA SETTLEMENT
This settlement for economic loss was initially declined, but was won on appeal. Our client was an office worker who downtown during the whole exposure period and is now unable to work.
NAPOLI SHKOLNIK PLLC SUPPORTS RECENT SIGNING OF CHILD VICTIMS ACT INTO LAW

While justice has been denied for far too long for many victims of sexual abuse, the Child Victims Act has finally been passed in the New York State Legislature and was signed into law by Governor Cuomo.

The Child Victims Act gives power back to the victims of sexual abuse by extending the time a victim has to file a civil law suit in New York until the individual turns 55. It also creates a one-year period for individuals who were the victims of child sex abuse and whose statute of limitations have already expired.

“The Child Victims Act provides victims with the opportunity to have their much-deserved day in court,” says Partner Marie Napoli.

The experienced attorneys at Napoli Shkolnik are ready to review claims and discuss legal options with those in need. Additionally, we can help determine whether a lawsuit should also be filed against a company or institution for a perpetrator’s conduct. If an organization knew about and tolerated this type of reprehensible behavior, they should be held accountable too.