

PARTNER

## Joshua A. Lewin

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### OVERVIEW

Josh Lewin is a trial and appellate lawyer representing businesses and individuals embroiled in complex business disputes. Josh helps his clients navigate and resolve commercial disagreements and internal business problems in an effort to avoid litigation. When disputes cannot be resolved in this manner, Josh represents his clients vigorously in litigation before the Massachusetts state and federal courts as well as administrative agencies. Josh's extensive litigation experience comprises handling lawsuits from inception through trial and appeal and includes:

- Complex business disputes, including those between commercial entities and among business partners
- Breach of contract, unfair competition and business tort litigation
- Catastrophic injury and wrongful death claims
- Employment claims
- Insurance coverage and regulatory disputes
- Real estate and property ownership and damage claims

Josh represents a wide array of clients, ranging from individuals to closely-held corporations and multi-billion dollar corporations. He represents some of the region's largest utility providers and natural gas and electricity suppliers. Through trial, arbitration, mediation and negotiations, Josh has achieved positive outcomes for his clients in a variety of different cases.

"My approach," notes Josh, "is to assess all cases at the outset from both a legal and practical business perspective and devise a strategy best suited to an efficient resolution of whatever problem my client is facing. When appropriate, I will provide aggressive outward representation but I will always provide measured and practical advice to my client. My goal is always to get practical and efficient solutions to difficult problems that achieve my clients' goals."

### Before Bowditch

Josh started his legal career as a Law Clerk to the Justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court and then worked as a general civil litigator for a large Boston law firm. In 2010, Josh started his own practice and then moved to another mid-sized Boston law firm, before joining Bowditch.

## Besides work

Josh is an accomplished skier and outdoorsman with two small children. “The plan is to get the oldest on skis this winter.”

## EXPERIENCE

### Trial victory in a claim for negligent construction

In 2014, Josh prevailed in a jury trial in the Massachusetts Superior Court representing one of the region’s largest utility providers in a lawsuit for damages arising out of catastrophic damage caused to an electric transmission line during environmental testing on a construction site. The jury awarded substantial damages to Josh’s client after a multi-day trial involving complex environmental and regulatory issues.

### Trial and appellate victories in a consumer claim

In 2009, Josh successfully defended consumer claims in federal district court under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act and Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, prevailing on appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit in a case which decided several issues of first impression. See *Chiang v. Verizon New England Inc.*, 595 F. 3d 26 (First Cir. 2010).

### An appellate win in a professional fee claim

The Massachusetts Appeals Court upheld a Superior Court jury’s verdict in 2013 in favor of Josh’s clients against their former attorney for charging an unfair and excessive fee. The appeals court also affirmed the trial judge’s award of triple damages and attorney’s fees under the Consumer Protection Act (chapter 93A). See *Landry v. Haartz*, 83 Mass. App. Ct. 1135 (2013).

## AFFILIATIONS

### PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY

- Massachusetts “Rising Star” in the area of General Litigation, Boston Magazine, 2007 and 2009
- *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*, 20 “Up and Coming” lawyers, 2010
- Volunteer, Big Brothers of Massachusetts Bay
- Finalist, 2006 Big Brother of the Year, Big Brothers of Massachusetts Bay

### PREVIOUS

- Law Clerk to the Justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court, 2003-2004
- Special Assistant District Attorney for Suffolk County, 2009, prosecuting white collar criminal cases for the Special Prosecutions Bureau on a pro bono basis

## ARTICLES & TALKS

### TALKS

- Panelist, “[Litigating Business Torts](#),” Massachusetts Bar Association, Boston, Massachusetts, October 23, 2019

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

## EDUCATION

- J.D., *cum laude*, Boston College Law School
- B.A., *summa cum laude*, Boston College