

Manufacturing

A manufacturer's products—and the potential legal liability that comes with them—may be the most visible aspect of manufacturing, but they're only one piece of the puzzle. People, processes, intellectual property, business structures, and competitors are all crucial pieces too.

That's why Cosgrave's cross-disciplinary team of manufacturing lawyers looks at the big picture. Just as our manufacturing clients span many different types of products, their needs span a panoply of legal services. For more than 50 years, we've served as counsel to manufacturers, providing strategic advice and dispute resolution.

From setting up or acquiring a business, through managing employees, protecting trade secrets, assessing liability exposure, and responding to legal claims, Cosgrave understands how all the pieces fit together. We always strive to help clients achieve their business goals and avoid litigation.

When disputes occur or claims are filed, clients increasingly consider mediation as a cost-effective path to resolution. Cosgrave offers experienced mediators as well as skilled litigators, who work closely with clients to formulate the best strategy. Our appellate lawyers also advise on strategy and, when necessary, take cases to the next level in state and federal courts.

Representative Clients

Product Liability

- Invacare (power wheelchairs and beds)
- Jake Brake (truck brakes)
- Pirelli Tires
- Tyson Foods
- McKinley Medical (medical devices)
- Great Dane Trailers
- Safway Services (scaffolding)

PRACTICE AREAS

Arbitration & Mediation

Business & Commercial
Litigation

Business & Corporate Law

Construction Services &
Litigation

Employment Law

Employment Litigation

Environmental Law & Toxic
Torts

Personal Injury & Property
Damage Liability

Product Liability

Real Estate Law

Regulatory

Taxation

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- Square D (electrical switches)
- Steris Corporation (surgical beds and operating room products)
- Halton Tractor

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Trade Secrets

- Container-it, LLC (containers/shipping)
- Morooka Co., LTD (heavy machinery manufacturing)
- Ventex Corporation (semiconductor supplies)

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Product Types

- Asbestos
- Automotive parts
- Chemicals and pesticides
- Commercial vehicles
- Construction equipment
- Electrical equipment
- Electronic components
- Farm machinery
- Fireworks
- Industrial equipment
- Medical devices
- Petroleum products
- Pharmaceuticals
- Shipping containers
- Sporting goods
- Tools

- Utility vehicles
- Wood products