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Global Law Experts, a leading online legal reference guide, has named Rawle & Henderson LLP the **2016 Commercial Motor Vehicle Law Firm of the Year in New Jersey**. Our CMV Section is composed of more than twenty attorneys who focus their practice on commercial motor vehicle defense. The CMV Section is chaired by **Timothy J. Abeel**, who has defended transportation companies in the state and federal courts of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York and Delaware for more than 30 years. Tim is a founding member of the Trucking Industry Defense Association and is a member of the firm's Executive Committee.

Our **Marlton, New Jersey** office specializes in CMV defense. **Delia A. Clark** is the resident partner and she has extensive experience defending trucking companies and their insurers. She is admitted to practice in New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia, as well as the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Middle Districts of Pennsylvania, the District of Delaware, the District of Columbia, and the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Delia is a member of the Trucking Industry Defense Association and the New Jersey Motor Truck Association. In addition, **Christine A. Barris**, **Thomas M. Krick** and **Anthony W. Liberatore** are associate attorneys specializing in commercial motor vehicle company defense in our New Jersey office.

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# SONIA DI VALERIO

**SONIA DI VALERIO** has rejoined the Commercial Motor Vehicle Section of Rawle & Henderson LLP. She is Of Counsel to the firm in our Philadelphia and New Jersey offices. While she was away from Rawle & Henderson LLP, Sonia was raising her two daughters, Gabrielle and Vanessa, and serving as claims counsel to a third-party claims management administrator.

Sonia concentrates her practice on the defense of trucking and bus companies and their insurers. She has defended accidents that resulted in multiple fatalities, quadriplegia, and traumatic brain injuries, as well as orthopedic, neurological and psychological injuries. As part of her practice, she represents clients in connection with employment litigation matters in both the state and federal courts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In addition to representing trucking and bus companies, Sonia has also represented municipalities and municipal authorities as well as privately owned companies. She has defended clients against age discrimination claims, wage claims, whistle blower claims and claims arising under the FMLA and FLSA.

In addition to litigated matters, Sonia has counseled clients in connection with termination issues, hiring issues and non-compete clauses. She has extensive experience in binding and non-binding arbitrations as well as court conducted and private mediations. She has tried cases to verdict in the state courts of New Jersey and Pennsylvania as well as the federal courts in those states.

Sonia earned her J.D. from Temple University School of Law in 1999 with distinguished class performance in Criminal Law and Evidence. While attending law school, she served as editor-in-chief of the *Temple Environmental Law and Technology Journal*. She served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Lee B. Laskin, J.S.C., in the Superior Court of New Jersey from August 1999 to August 2000. Sonia earned her B.A. in Communications from Temple University in 1992.

Sonia is a member of the Delaware County Bar Association and a board member of the Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County.



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