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James Chin is a shareholder with Carlton Fields, a national law firm. He serves as co-chair of the firm's Insurance Policy and Coverage Division of the Property & Casualty Insurance Practice Group.

James has over 20 years of commercial insurance industry experience. He represents first-party commercial property insurers and liability insurers in complex litigation and has tried cases to verdict.

Representative cases include:

- Defended bad faith claim and sought to overturn a \$4 million appraisal award in Georgia federal court. The claim involved insurance fraud allegations. After obtaining sanctions against the policyholder, it gave up the claim in exchange for full release from sanctions. (lead counsel)
- Defended a \$39 million complex commercial property claim, plus bad faith allegations, in West Virginia federal court. The claim involved a metals manufacturing operation. After two-and-a-half years of litigation, won summary judgment dismissing business interruption claim on basis that policyholder sustained no actual loss, and won a sanction award against policyholder dismissing claim with prejudice because of discovery abuse. (lead counsel)
- Defended a \$20 million mold claim in Virginia state court, which involved over 35 depositions, review and management of over 750,000 documents, and extensive motion practice; Resolved matter for less than 12% of demand. (co-lead counsel)
- Defended complex \$12 million commercial property claim in Tennessee state court; handled all pleadings, discovery and motions; won summary judgment on the 'manifestation' theory, which Tennessee courts had not yet adopted. (co-lead counsel)
- Defended 9/11 claim in excess of \$75 million by World Trade Center tenant against consortium of insurers.(co-lead counsel)
- Handled subrogation claim against a contractor in South Carolina state court; resolved matter for 80% of demand before filing dispositive motions. (lead counsel)
- Defended a \$6 million commercial property claim in North Carolina state court involving bad faith allegations. (lead counsel)
- Pursued subrogation claim in Georgia state court against general contractor and resolved matter for 70% of demand before taking depositions. (lead counsel)
- Defended \$12 million mold claim in S.D. Florida federal court involving luxury high-rise condominium in Miami; won summary judgment which was upheld at the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals. (co-lead counsel)

In addition, James has conducted numerous in-house seminars for clients as well as presented for the Property Loss Research Bureau.

James graduated from the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Business Administration, Cum Laude, and also attended the University of Georgia School of Law, graduating with a Juris Doctor.