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## SHOOK HARDY & BACON

### AWARD – PRODUCT LIABILITY DEFENCE

Shook Hardy & Bacon achieves an impressive 26 listings in our product liability defence research, reflecting its status as a “major powerhouse” for litigation in the field, with particular strength throughout the US. The firm has specialised in product liability for over 50 years and is renowned for its “sector-leading experience on the defence side”, having represented multinational clients in high-profile litigation pertaining to pharmaceuticals and medical devices, tobacco and firearms, automobiles and machinery and chemical applications, Shook Hardy & Bacon’s trial lawyers have developed industry-specific expertise “to a high degree of specialisation”, and the firm also places particular emphasis on the importance of scientific knowledge across a range of sectors; the firm is home to more than 125 researchers and analysts with advanced technical degrees.

In London, **Simon Castley** has a “hugely respected practice” focusing on product liability litigation for clients in the UK, US and throughout Europe. He has further experience in the Middle

East and Asia and is praised for his “comprehensive knowledge” of the product liability law affecting those regions. In Washington, DC, **Madeleine McDonough** chairs the pharmaceutical and medical device litigation division and is co-chair of the firm’s agribusiness and food safety practice, and life sciences and biotechnology practice. She regularly represents corporations and individuals in complex product liability litigation and is also a “great strategist when it comes to dispute avoidance”. In Kansas City, **Walter Cofer** chairs the firm’s global product liability group and receives widespread praise for his “impressive technical knowledge” and “expert handling of complex product liability cases”. He is also experienced in the development of litigation strategy for major clients across a diverse range of industries.

**Robert Adams** is a “product liability specialist of the very highest standards” who has appeared in over 40 jury trials before various federal and state courts, while Miami-based **William Geraghty** has defended many Fortune 500 companies in high-stakes product liability defence cases in which plaintiffs were seeking millions of dollars in damages; he is a “top-notch trial lawyer”.

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Product Liability Defense Firm of the Year

**2012 – 2015**

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**27 attorneys**

currently recognized in seven areas:

- » Product Liability Defense
- » Life Sciences – Product Liability
- » Environment
- » Commercial Litigation
- » Management Labor & Employment
- » Patents
- » Real Estate

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