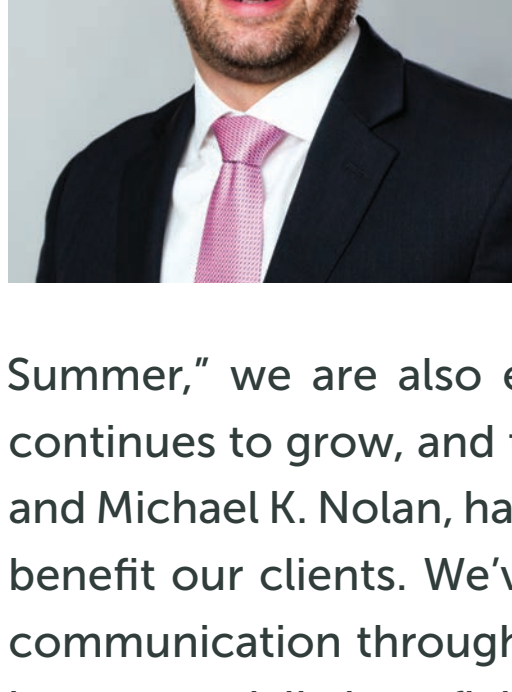


LEGAL BEACON

Navigating the legal waters of the Jersey Shore

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A word from Jonathan Petro, Managing Partner

Back to school

As summer fades into fall and we at CLDDS try to cling to the last warm, sunny days of "Locals Summer," we are also embracing exciting changes to our firm. CLDDS continues to grow, and the addition of two new attorneys, Jennifer Weiss and Michael K. Nolan, has added significant litigation experience which will benefit our clients. We've also added support staff members to enhance communication through increased technology and accessibility. This has been especially beneficial as our courts remain largely virtual, but start to reopen their doors to "in person" appearances. Similarly, we have been able to extend our reach to all areas of our Garden State, serving towns and individual clients beyond Ocean and Monmouth counties.

As our world continues to put the pandemic behind us, CLDDS is also happy to be back in the community and working with many of our non-profit partners, from Ocean County College, to Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey, to Ocean's Harbor House and the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). From the founding of this firm in 1997, our goal has always been to provide "value-added" service to our clients, but also to our community. This issue of the Legal Beacon highlights some of our firm's efforts to make the Jersey Shore a better place, while also having some fun along the way.



"Here, we have rebranded our newsletter as the Legal Beacon, to embrace and celebrate our community and environment here at the Jersey Shore."

"The best lawyers in Toms River, hands down. Their experience is off the charts."

– The Vinnys

Preparing for back to school

School is back in session and the buzz about new backpacks and school supplies, shoes, and clothes is exciting. Meeting new classmates and teachers and reuniting with old friends after a long summer vacation will be fun and maybe a nice change.

Hopefully, this year will be a more typical year than the past two. Focusing on communication between your child and the new teachers for this school year and between parents and the school is the key to a successful experience for everyone.

Do you notice your child struggling with homework or social stresses from school encounters? Send an email, note, or call and speak to the teacher or the school guidance counselors. Ask for reports from the adults who spend their days with your children. Communication helps address any issues – large or small.

With the past few years having interrupted learning with online and hybrid school days, you may have noticed some learning losses and social issues. These can be addressed if you reach out to and communicate with the school and state your concerns. You can request that your child be observed in the classroom. Children in need can be evaluated. Most importantly, having a strong support system at home will only improve your child's access to assisted learning.

There are legal requirements that educators must provide. Learn about and know your rights. If you have legal concerns, consult an attorney at CLDDS to ensure your child's right to education is being provided that will help your child learn and grow and contribute positively to our community.

– Jennifer Weiss

ATTORNEY SPOTLIGHT

Welcome aboard!

CLDDS is pleased to announce that we have two excellent new employees on our team. Please join us in welcoming Jennifer S. Weiss as Civil Litigation Attorney and Michael K. Nolan as Senior Litigation Attorney!

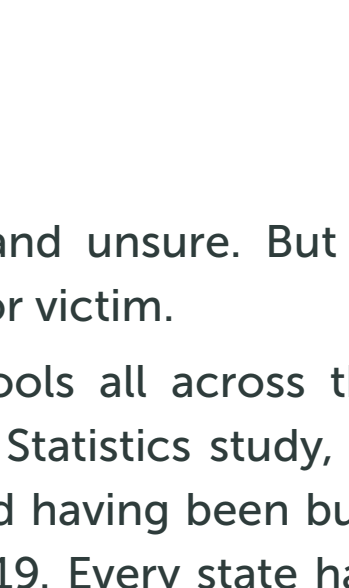


Jennifer S. Weiss

Congratulations to you both!

We are so proud to have you on #TeamCLDDS

Read all about Jennifer and Michael at CLDDS.com/attorney-profiles



Michael Nolan

All about bullying

Some are happy and excited, others nervous and unsure. But school children should never be afraid of being a target or victim.

Bullying continues to be a major issue in schools all across the U.S. According to the National Center for Education Statistics study, around 22% of students in Grades 6 through 12, reported having been bullied at school, or on their way to or from school, in 2019. Every state has anti-bullying legislation in place, and schools are expected to develop policies to address the problem.

Even though school bullying reportedly has declined in New Jersey since 2011, when the state enacted its Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, the anti-bullying crusade continues. Mallory's Law was introduced to the New Jersey Legislature in February of 2019, strengthening an already strong policy in an effort to protect innocent children.

New Jersey has been a leader in the establishment of a strong statutory, regulatory policy and program framework to support the prevention, remediation and reporting of HIB (Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying) in schools.

Bullying can be any form of harassment or intimidation that at a minimum includes any gesture, written, verbal or physical act, or any electronic communication, whether it be a single incident or a series of incidents that are reasonably perceived as having the effect of physically or emotionally harming a student. It also includes any damage to a student's property or placing a student in reasonable fear of physical or emotional harm to his/her person causing physical or emotional harm to that student.

There is no substitute for good judgment when it comes to determining how to address any potential for bullying. Parents or guardians should immediately contact the school authorities to address these issues as quickly as possible.

If there are concerns that are legal in nature, a consultation with a family law or school law attorney, could be beneficial. Here at CLDDS, we have a full team of professionals who are here to help and support you in those needs and various others.

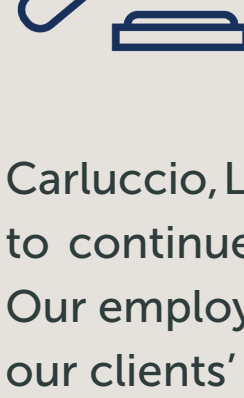
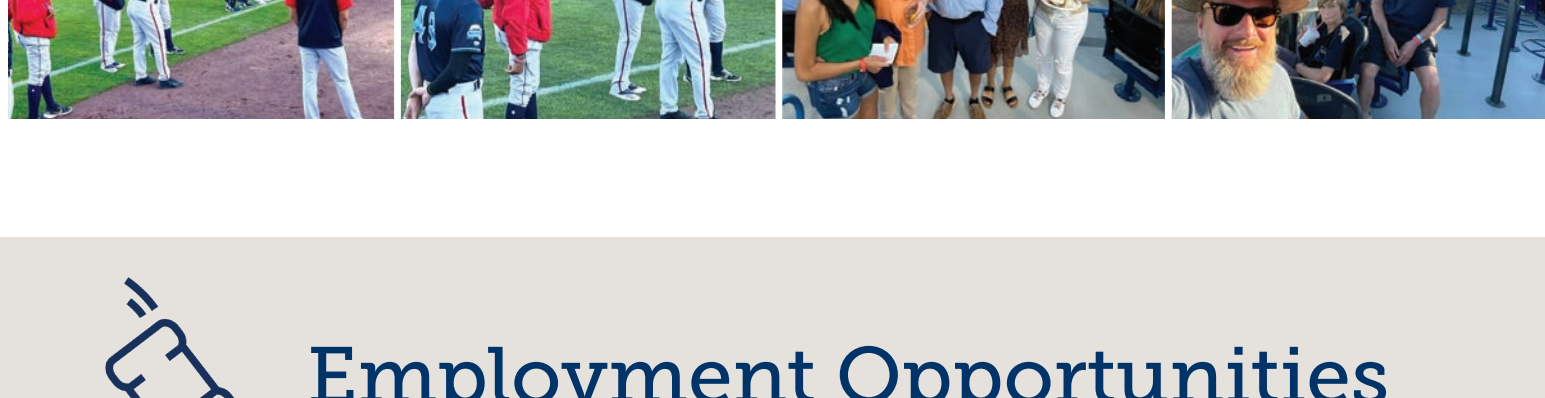
"Strong people stand up from themselves. But the strongest people stand up for others."

– Unknown



Food, family and FUN!

CLDDS recently hosted its annual outing at the BlueClaws Stadium for a picnic! Employees and their families attended the event, which included delicious food, bounce house fun, boardwalk games, basketball, balloons and mini golf! A great time was had by all!

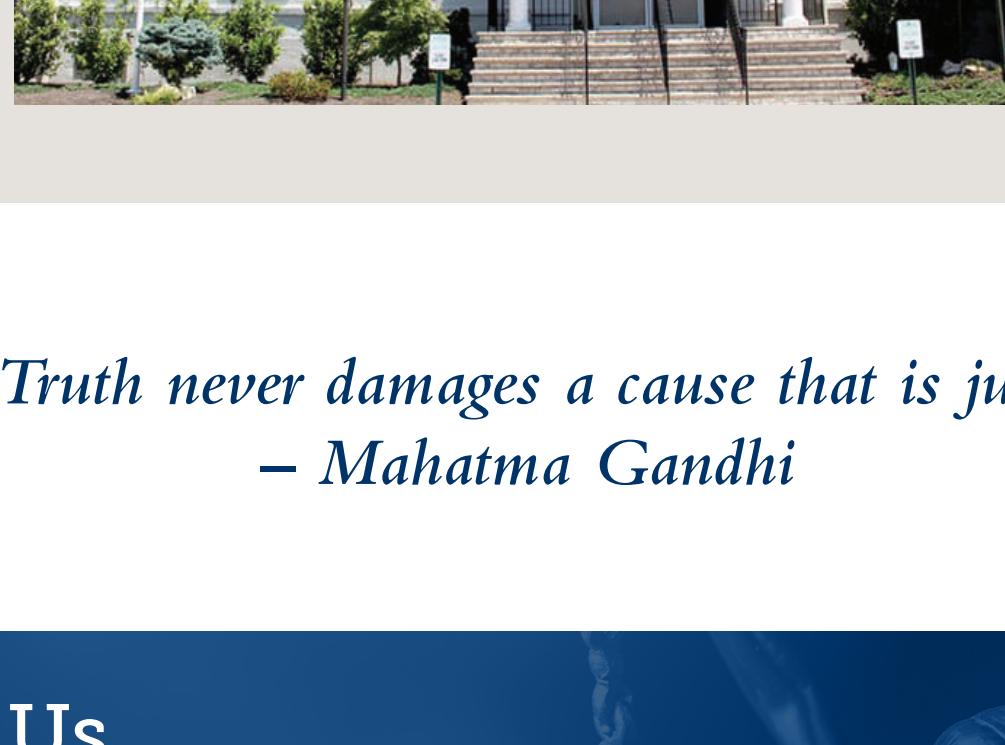


Employment Opportunities in Law

Carluccio, Leone, Dimon, Doyle & Sacks is seeking experienced professionals to continue our supportive, motivated and inclusive work environment. Our employees are committed to contributing to a noble mission: Serving our clients' needs first.

We offer exceptional career opportunities to our lawyers, aspiring graduates and business support professionals in an environment that is challenging, rewarding and truly different from our competitors. CLDDS is always looking for highly talented people who can demonstrate an affinity with our values to help us continue our long-standing reputation of high-level professionalism, accessibility and effectiveness.

Visit our [Careers page](#) to see available open positions.



"Truth never damages a cause that is just."

– Mahatma Gandhi

About Us

Experience Matters

The attorneys of Carluccio, Leone, Dimon, Doyle & Sacks know what it takes to represent your interests. We follow a collaborative "team" approach that allows us to maximize all available resources and provide you with the complete package in an expeditious, cost efficient, value-added manner.

Collectively, our attorneys have over 440 years of diverse legal and business experience, which enables us to offer a full suite of services. All the firm's knowledge and talent are always brought to bear on your behalf.

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