

## PFAS Litigation

Numerous municipalities (including districts) throughout the Commonwealth are impacted by PFAS chemical contamination within their water supplies. These chemicals, which leach into the water from waste materials, create significant health concerns and result in extensive and expensive remediation measures. Many municipalities have already appropriated significant funds to address these conditions, placing an additional strain on already stretched local resources. However, it is possible that third parties responsible for the production of these chemicals may instead be held responsible for the costs of remediation.

In the interest of addressing these mounting municipal costs, KP Law is excited to announce that it has formed a strategic partnership with the nationally known law firm Napoli Shkolnik PLLC to provide a mechanism by which municipalities may seek compensation for the costs of PFAS contamination. Multi-District Litigation (MDL) brought in federal court on behalf of municipalities will allow participating municipalities to present damages claims and seek direct monetary relief. Litigation will be pursued on a contingent fee basis, meaning that the participating municipalities will incur no legal fees unless the litigation is successful. Any such fees for legal services would be derived from damages received or awarded.

Leading the Napoli Shkolnik effort in Massachusetts will be Managing Partner Hank Naughton. Attorney Naughton served in the Massachusetts House from 1995 to 2021, has long been a leader in water quality protection issues, and has a deep understanding of local government from his time with the Town of Clinton and at the State House.

A brief PFAS fact sheet is attached.

Please contact [Attorneys Lauren F. Goldberg](#), [Mark R. Reich](#), [Jonathan M. Silverstein](#) to learn more about the PFAS MDL.

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