

Cozen O'Connor's Paul Leary Named To *Philadelphia Business Journal's* "40 Under 40"

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Cozen O'Connor member Paul K. Leary has been designated as one of this year's "40 Under 40" by the *Philadelphia Business Journal*. The program recognizes the Greater Philadelphia region's 40 most successful, influential professional leaders under age 40, who have made significant contributions to their industries and their communities. Chosen from a field of nearly 200 professionals, Leary will be profiled in the May 8 issue of the *Philadelphia Business Journal*, and will join his fellow designees for an awards ceremony at the Sheraton Society Hill on May 19. Over the years the *Philadelphia Business Journal* has honored more than 600 leading young professionals in the Philadelphia business community with its "40 under 40" program, which is co-sponsored by Temple University's Fox School of Business and Premium Seating at Comcast-Spectacor.

"We are very proud that Paul has been recognized for his excellent work," said Thomas A. Decker, President and CEO of Cozen O'Connor. "His work quality and depth of knowledge have made him a highly respected member of our firm, and we congratulate him on this honor."

A member of the commercial litigation group, Leary concentrates his practice on commercial and complex liability matters including casualty, construction, product liability and transportation matters. Paul has significant experience with multinational product liability exposure and trucking litigation. He serves as a National Coordinating Counsel for a leading supplier of retailer brand carbonated soft drinks, and several international hotel chains.

Admitted to practice in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, Leary has handled catastrophic product liability and transportation claims all over the United States. Leary is a graduate of Fairfield University (B.A., 1992) and Pace University School of Law (J.D., 1998). In 2007, Leary was named a "Pennsylvania Super Lawyer – Rising Star" by *Law & Politics*, and in 2008, he was nominated for and accepted membership in the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC).