

Appellate Practice

Paley Rothman's attorneys understand that appellate practice requires a unique set of skills and experience. Our many years and cases in the appellate sphere afford us a deep understanding of appellate law's contours and nuances.

Paley Rothman's litigators have prosecuted and defended countless appeals in the state and federal appellate courts of Maryland, the District of Columbia and Virginia, defending and maintaining favorable trial judgments when the opposing party has sought an appeal. We have experience having clerked for the Maryland appellate courts and have learned first-hand how to succeed at the appellate level. We often receive referrals from trial attorneys to advance their clients' interests on appeal. This means that our attorneys are retained after completion of the trial phase for the sole purpose of handling the appeal.

We have briefed and argued numerous cases in Maryland's Court of Appeals, the state's highest court, which selects for review only cases that involve novel or complicated legal questions or significant public policy issues. Our petitions for review by that court have an impressive success rate. We have argued scores of cases in the Maryland Court of Special Appeals, and most of our cases in that court have resulted in reported appellate decisions. We have also argued appeals in the U.S. federal courts, as well as the appellate courts in Virginia and the District of Columbia. We think it is an important part of the representation to explain the appellate process to our clients, so that they may better understand where the strength of their position rests.