

**PARTNER**

**JAMES F. RADKE**

*James Radke is a commercial litigator who helps clients resolve a wide variety of business disputes.*

Jamie represents auto dealers, manufacturers, franchisors, commercial landlords, general contractors, assisted living facilities and many other businesses in connection with contractual disputes, employment discrimination and wage issues, franchise and distributor issues, landlord/tenant matters, collection actions, tort and product liability matters, noncompetition cases and others. Jamie also represents clients who have experienced data breaches of personal and confidential information. Jamie’s practice includes regular appearances in Massachusetts state and federal courts, including bench and jury trials, participation in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and handling appeals in state and federal courts.

In his automotive practice, Jamie has represented auto and heavy equipment dealers in disputes with manufacturers over issues such as assigned territory, performance metrics, termination of franchise agreements, protests of new dealer appointments, warranty reimbursement issues, and violations of M.G.L. c. 93B.

Jamie has served as a mentor to law students with the Boston Lawyers Group and has served on the Firm’s Diversity, Professional Development and Associates Committees. During law school he served as a legal intern for the Honorable John C. Cratsley of the Massachusetts Superior Court.

Jamie is a member of the Dana Farber Leadership Council. Outside of work, he can often be found enjoying live music and the outdoors.

**Representative Matters:**

Represented the City of Hartford, Connecticut in a five-week jury trial over the construction of a minor league baseball stadium and the termination of the surrounding development rights. Murtha Cullina’s trial team was able to defend the developer’s claim for over \$98 million and obtained a unanimous jury verdict in favor of the City.

Represented a commercial property owner at trial in a dispute with tenant, a national healthcare company, and obtained judgment of approximately \$1.1 million in the client’s favor.

Represented an international company in a noncompete dispute concerning a former employee’s disclosure of trade secrets to a competitor and obtained favorable resolution.

Ongoing representation of a multinational corporation in product liability cases throughout New England alleging exposure to hazardous substances.



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**BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS**

Massachusetts

Maine

United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

United States District Court for the District of Maine

United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

**EDUCATION**

Northeastern University, J.D., 2006

Trinity College, B.S., 2002

**PRACTICE AND INDUSTRIES**

Construction

Construction Litigation & Arbitration

Litigation

Long-Term Care

Privacy and Cybersecurity

Tort and Product Liability

Retail & Hospitality

Unfair Competition, Trade Secrets and Non-Competition Agreements

## **Representative Matters (continued):**

Represented an auto dealer threatened with termination by manufacturer in a dispute concerning performance metrics, assigned territory and inventory allocation and successfully implemented a defense strategy to avoid franchise termination.

Represented a general contractor in class action lawsuit alleging violations of the Massachusetts Wage Act and overtime laws.

Represented a Massachusetts industry association at the Massachusetts Appeals Court in successful defense of claims alleging defamation and violations of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 93A.

Represented a financial services firm in a dispute with an employee's former employer concerning alleged violations of noncompetition and nonsolicitation agreements.

## **Memberships**

- Massachusetts Bar Association
- Boston Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Massachusetts State Auto Dealers Association

## **Community & Firm Activities**

- Dana Farber Leadership Council
- Boston Lawyers Group – Mentor
- Massachusetts Volunteer Lawyer Project

## **Prior Experience**

- Judicial Intern, Massachusetts Superior Court, Summer 2004

*With offices throughout Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York, Murtha Cullina LLP offers a full range of legal services to meet the local, regional and national needs of our clients. Our practice encompasses litigation, regulatory and transactional representation of businesses, governmental units, non-profit organizations and individuals.*

