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Susan A. Scaria has 20 years of experience handling matters involving construction site accidents, negligent security claims, premises liability, municipal liability, medical malpractice claims and contract disputes. Her zealous representation has led to the dismissal of labor law claims against her clients, and her appellate advocacy has garnered favorable outcomes that facilitate settlements in high-exposure cases.

Susan's clients include leading New York property owners, contractors, subcontractors, and construction managers, who she defends in significant actions in lower and appellate courts. Her clients are located throughout New York City's five boroughs, Long Island, Westchester, Rockland, Orange, and Upstate New York.

Susan started her career with an insurance defense firm, where she worked on complex labor law, premises liability, security premises liability, medical malpractice, and professional liability cases. She then started her own defense practice, where she continued to defend contractors, property owners and security companies in high-exposure cases involving personal injury, professional liability, property damage and contract disputes.

Susan is recognized as a thought leader in her field. She has been recognized by New York Metro Super Lawyers in the Personal Injury practice and lectures on topics including discovery and taking depositions. Susan earned her JD from Elizabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University in 2001 and is OSHA-10 certified.

Representative Matters:

Alvarado v. French Council, LLC, et., al., 50 N.Y.S.3d 280 (1st Dept 2017) Successfully argued client was not a statutory "agent" for purposes of Labor Law liability.

Mian v. City of New York, Supreme Court, New York County, 2010 Successfully argued client, construction manager, did not assert sufficient level of control and supervision of the to be considered a viable statutory Labor Law defendant.

Mannino v. J.A. Jones Construction, et., al., 792 N.Y.S.2d 32 (1st Dept 2005) Successfully argued on behalf of her client/subcontractor her client was not obligated to fully indemnify the construction manager based on questions of fact as to the construction manager's active negligence.