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Williams & Connolly



**Williams & Connolly offices in
Washington, D.C.**

Williams & Connolly was named the winner of the National Law Journal Awards' Litigation Departments of the Year, General.

Joe Petrosinelli, chairman of the firm, responded to the below Q&A.

What are the two biggest cases your firm worked on in 2024 and how did you reach successful outcomes?

One of our most important cases over the past year was our representation of Perkins Coie in

challenging the Administration's Executive Order 14230. In roughly 72 hours, our team prepared and filed over 200 pages of briefing, declarations, and expert reports, resulting in a permanent injunction with the court adopting our arguments in full. Our approach to that case was emblematic of the firm's ethos, and represented a victory

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for the rule of law and the role of law firms in protecting freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution.

Another highlight was our successful representation of Regeneron in biosimilar litigation concerning its product, Eylea, where our team devised and executed a wholly novel strategy for branded manufacturers in BPCIA cases, marking the first time a judgment was entered against a biosimilar manufacturer before expiry of the branded manufacturer's regulatory exclusivity. What's more,

the subsequent preliminary injunctions secured by W&C, and affirmed on appeal, represented the first contested preliminary injunctions in the decade-plus history of the BPCIA.

What is the most important piece of advice you'd share with other firm leaders?

Foster collaborative teams. Senior lawyers don't have a monopoly on good ideas, and everyone needs to know and believe that they could be the one to break the case open.