

# Is Your Workers' Compensation Attorney Certified?

In March, three Martin Law partners took the Workers' Compensation Certification exam held for the very first time by the Pennsylvania Bar Association. We are proud to announce that all three, George Martin, Joe Huttemann and Al Carlson, have been certified as a specialist in the practice of workers' compensation law by the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Section on Workers' Compensation Law as authorized by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Only 149 attorneys in the entire state of Pennsylvania have been certified as a specialist in workers' compensation and Martin Law continues the tradition of highly knowledgeable attorneys –with three attorneys certified!

The exam is meant to recognize attorneys in the specialty of workers' compensation and allow them to stand out from attorneys whom dedicate just a small percentage of their practice to workers' compensation matters.



Partner [Matthew Wilson](#), who met the eligibility requirements and scored the tests of the applicants for certification, reports that the committee's fine-tuning of the testing and certification process was rigorous and ongoing. ***"I worked with Judge [David B.] Torrey in the development of the exam and I have actually taken it three times."*** Wilson said.

The certification process requires that attorneys sit for a four-hour exam, after proving that they have actively

practiced law for more than five years and dedicate at least half of their practice to workers' compensation claims. The hope is that this process will allow for better legal representation in workers' compensation claims by allowing the public to know that a specific attorney is well-qualified to represent them.

\*Please note we've made a correction since first posting this blog. We originally stated that we had more claimants' attorneys than any other Philadelphia firm but we have come to learn that is not the case. We sincerely apologize for this oversight.