Andrew R. McConville

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Practice Areas

- Asbestos Litigation
- Catastrophic Personal Injury
- Complex Civil & Business Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Mediation and Arbitration
- Pharmaceutical Litigation
- Products Liability
- Toxic Tort Litigation

OVERVIEW

Andrew McConville is the Partner-in-Charge of Cetrulo LLP's Providence, Rhode Island office. With over 30 years of litigation experience, Andrew has focused his practice on the defense of toxic tort, complex product liability, property damage, construction litigation, and personal injury claims. Andrew appears regularly before the Superior Courts and the United States District Courts in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Andrew is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Rhode Island consolidated asbestos docket in the Firm's role as court appointed Defense Liaison Counsel and works extensively with the Court and counsel in the coordination of pretrial schedules, depositions, trial settings, and docket management. Andrew handles all aspects of litigation including drafting and responding to discovery, taking and defending depositions, serving and responding to subpoenas, writing and arguing dispositive motions, and preparing cases for mediation and trial.

Before entering private practice, Andrew served as an officer and Judge Advocate in the United States Marine Corps. He was stationed at Camp Pendleton, California, where he served as a prosecutor and then as a criminal defense attorney. As a trial attorney in one of the busiest law centers in the Department of Defense, Andrew engaged in extensive motion practice, trial preparation, and contested bench and jury trials involving major complex crimes. He was then selected to serve as an instructor at the Naval Justice School in Newport, Rhode Island, where he taught criminal law and trial advocacy to military attorneys and conducted seminars on evidentiary and administrative matters for senior officers. Andrew also participated in training overseas as an instructor with the Defense Institute for International Legal Studies.

Andrew is an Adjunct Professor at Boston College and Boston College Law School, where he has taught Family Law, Criminal Law, White Collar Crimes, Negotiation Skills, Conflict Resolution and Foundations of U.S. Law.

Andrew serves on the Executive Committee of the Boston College Veterans Alumni Network, he is the Secretary of the Federal Bar Association's Veterans and Military Law Section, and an At-Large Board Member of the Rhode Island Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. He is also a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Naval Justice School Foundation and mentors active duty judge advocates who are transitioning to civilian legal practice.

Andrew is an approved arbitrator for the Rhode Island Superior Court Annexed Arbitration Program and serves as a mediator for the Rhode Island Superior Court's annual Settlement Week. He is a member of the Rhode Island Bar Association's House of Delegates, Superior Court Bench/Bar Committee and Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee.

Andrew is also a graduate of Leadership Rhode Island (Tau II, 2023) and serves on the Board of Directors at the Providence Children's Museum.

Andrew has been named as a Rhode Island and Massachusetts Super Lawyer and Best Lawyer in America. He was recognized as Providence, Rhode Island "Lawyer of the Year" in Product Liability Litigation – Defendants in 2026.

EXPERIENCE

- Secured a defense verdict as lead defense counsel in a traumatic brain injury case tried before a jury in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Plaintiff claimed that he was permanently disabled as a result of injuries sustained in an altercation that occurred outside of a popular Boston restaurant. Plaintiff asserted claims for negligent security against the defendant restaurant and conspiracy and negligence against three individual defendants, which included Mr. McConville's client. After a sixteen-day trial, the jury returned a defense verdict, on all counts, in favor of Mr. McConville's client, while awarding the plaintiff $4.5 million on his claims against the defendant restaurant.
- Secured multi-million dollar recovery in property damage and business interruption claim following explosion and resultant damage to industrial equipment.
- Negotiated favorable resolution in a highly publicized chemical explosion case after defeating plaintiffs' motion for class certification.
- While serving as criminal defense counsel in the Marine Corps, secured a complete acquittal for a Marine client charged with rape in a five-day jury trial involving cutting edge expert testimony in false confessions.
- Obtained an acquittal for a Marine client charged with riot and aggravated assault in a week-long jury trial.

Authorships

- *A Conversation with Former Presiding Justice Alice B. Gibney*, Rhode Bar Journal, March/April 2026.

- *The GDPR, SCCs, BCRs, and Schrems: Deciphering the Data Privacy Alphabet Soup,* The Federal Lawyer Magazine, May/June 2022.
- *Bargaining, Bottom Lines, and BATNA: Re-Learning the Skill of Negotiation*, The Federal Lawyer Magazine, July/August 2020.

Presentations, Classes & Seminars Taught

- Guest Lecturer – Negotiations, Roger Williams School of Law (2025, 2026)
- Mock Trial Judge, Brown University (2024, 2025, 2026)
- *Foundations of U.S. Law for Non-Lawyers: Legal Principles and Ethical Obligations*, Boston College Law School, Adjunct Professor (2025 – present)
- Mock Trial Judge, Boston College Law School (2023, 2025)
- Mock Trial Coach, Roger Williams School of Law, 72nd Annual National Moot Court Competition (2024)
- Mock Trial Judge, UMass Law (2022)
- *Negotiation Skills and Conflict Resolution*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor (2019, 2020, 2022)
- *Closing the Deal: Bargaining Strategies for Best Results in Asbestos Litigation*, DALS, Featured Panelist, (September 17, 2020)
- *Vaping & E-Cigarettes: A 21st Century Epidemic*, Perrin Conference Webinar, Featured Panelist (November 19, 2019)
- *Criminal Law*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor (2017 – 2019)
- *Professional Criminals*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor (2019)
- *Family Law*, Boston College, Adjunct Professor, (2016, 2017, 2018)
- *Military Criminal Justice*, Suffolk University Law School, Guest Speaker (2003-2010)
- *Trial Advocacy*, Roger Williams School of Law, Adjunct Faculty (2002, 2003)
- *Criminal Law / Trial Advocacy*, Naval Justice School, Instructor (2000-2003)
- *Executive Seminar on Operational Law/Law of the Sea*, United States Defense Institute for International Legal Studies, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea , Instructor (September 2002)
- *Careers in Military Law Forum*, Boston College Law School, Guest Speaker (2001)

HONORS

- Best Lawyers in America – Providence, Rhode Island “Lawyer of the Year” in Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, 2026

- The Best Lawyers in America, 2024, 2025, 2026
- Rhode Island Super Lawyer, 2024, 2025, 2026
- Massachusetts Super Lawyer, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
- Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, (gold star in lieu of second award)
- National Defense Service Medal, (bronze star in lieu of second award)
- Distinguished Oral Advocate, Legal Practice Skills, Suffolk University Law School

EDUCATION

- J.D., Suffolk University Law School, 1996
- B.A., Boston College, 1993

ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- Rhode Island
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island
- U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals
- U.S. Supreme Court

MEMBERSHIPS

- Federal Bar Association, Veterans and Military Law Section, Board Member
- Rhode Island Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, At-Large Board Member
- Rhode Island Bar Association, Member of Superior Court Bench/Bar Committee and Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee
- Rhode Island Bar Association, Member of House of Delegates
- Boston College Veterans Alumni Network, Executive Committee
- Naval Justice School Foundation, Lifetime Member, Board of Trustees
- Providence Children's Museum, Board of Directors
- Defense Counsel of Rhode Island

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Wreaths Across America, Volunteer
- Cradles to Crayons, Volunteer
- Father Bill's & MainSpring, Volunteer
- Boston College Veterans Alumni Network, Executive Committee
- Leadership Rhode Island, Tau II Class
- Naval Justice School Foundation, Lifetime Member, Board of Trustees
- Providence Children's Museum, Board of Directors

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When away from the office, Andrew enjoys running and spending time with his wife, three daughters, and their golden retriever.